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To Mayor Tory and members of Council

**Re: Agenda Item EX23.3 - Provincial Transit- Oriented Communities (TOC)**

York Quay Neighbourhood Association (YQNA) represents residents and businesses along the waterfront from Yonge Street to Spadina Avenue. While we are located some distance from historic Corktown, we are keenly interested in the preservation of its heritage as one of the first areas to be settled in the then Town of York. In particular, we wish to see the First Parliament Site properly preserved and celebrated, in accordance with years of local planning efforts which must be respected.

We are very concerned that proposals for development around the planned Corktown transit station will fail to adequately allow for the community hub and interpretation centre long planned for the site. We are aware that City staff are negotiating with Provincial officials about the station, the site occupation by Metrolinx, and future housing. We urge Council to ensure that these negotiations lead to a good and fair outcome in accordance with local community wishes and the history of the area. The TOC Review Process being developed will set a precedent across Toronto, and it is crucial that community consultation be baked in at an early stage, not second to last.

We strongly support the submissions to Executive Committee from the West Don Lands Committee and the St Lawrence Neighbourhood Association.

Sincerely,

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Carolyn Johnson  
Co-chair of YQNA

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Angelo Bertolas  
Co-chair of YQNA