



Mayor John Tory and Members,
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Attention: Marilyn Toft

Via: councilmeeting@toronto.ca

RE: TE24.96 - Canada Square Working Group

May 5, 2021

Dear Mayor Tory, Dear Members, Toronto City Council,

We are writing in support of the Federation of North Toronto Residents' Association's (FoNTRA) request for the release of the terms of the agreement between the City and Oxford Properties regarding the Canada Square development.

Given the importance of the site, it should not be treated as a "normal" private development site. With the Yonge/Eglinton neighbourhood designated as a Growth Centre (like the Downtown), we also support FoNTRA's position that a special planning process is required for this site to ensure that all relevant issues are adequately addressed, in particular, the provision for much needed community services, green space and appropriate public transportation services.

We agree with FoNTRA that how the Canada Square site is redeveloped is of critical importance to not just the Yonge and Eglinton neighbourhood but to the entire City at large. And, as a neighbourhood through which the Yonge subway line runs, we are particularly concerned that the development proposed for this site will only add to future congestion on this line and will exacerbate the already near-dangerous levels of crowding experienced pre-COVID.

Sincerely,

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