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City Council consideration on October 1, 2021  
MM36.26 Review and Audit of Community and Social Infrastructure Needs in High-Growth Areas

Dear Mayor Tory and Members of City Council:

Lytton Park Residents’ Organization strongly supports the motion, tabled by Councillors Mike Colle and Jaye Robinson, to request the Chief Planner and General Manager, City Planning to undertake an immediate Community and Social Services Infrastructure study to assist in the identification of current and required future levels of social and community infrastructure needed to support the health, safety and wellbeing of local residents in high-growth areas.

In our Yonge-Eglinton-Avenue Road-Lawrence neighbourhood, there has been and continues to be unprecedented residential growth, with little consideration for the need to create complete communities which would support residents' health, safety and wellbeing. People have a need for parks and some non-paved space to refresh their spirits. Children have a need for schools in their neighbourhood. The community has a need for social services, childcare centres, centres for youth and seniors, healthcare services.

Looking at one building at a time, rather than assessing the future overall needs of an rapidly increasing population, is shortsighted. Community infrastructure additions and improvements required to serve an expanding population need to be identified and implemented in sync with the building boom.

As the councillors state in their motion, The need for a comprehensive, city-wide inventory of community infrastructure is essential if we are to have a city that works.

Maureen Kapral, Vice-President, LPRO

c: Councillor Mike Colle  
Councillor Jaye Robinson,