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North York Community Council Meeting September 13, 2021 - Agenda Item NY26.5: Final Report - City-Initiated Official Plan Amendment Application - 20 Castlefield Avenue, 565 Duplex Avenue and 567 Duplex Avenue

The Lytton Park Residents' Organization (LPRO) is an incorporated non-profit association, representing residents living in the area bounded by Lawrence Avenue West to Roselawn and Briar Hill Avenues, Yonge Street to Saguenay and Proudfoot Avenues.

LPRO supports the City-Initiated Official Plan Amendment Application to re-designate the lands at 20 Castlefield Avenue, 565 and 567 Duplex Avenue from Neighbourhoods to Parks and Open Space. The future use of this site as a public park was envisioned in the Midtown in Focus Parks and Public Realm Plan (2018).

The Yonge-Eglinton Area is park deficient and will require substantial new parkland in the coming years. The population of the Yonge-Eglinton Secondary Plan Area is projected to grow by 98% or 61,000 people over the next 30 years. The subject site is one of the only City-owned pieces of land, which can accommodate a sizable new public park within walking distance of Yonge and Eglinton. The site is located such that it is easily accessible from the northwest and northeast quadrants of Yonge and Eglinton, which are both experiencing significant development activity. A park on the entirety of the subject site would be an incredible asset to the community.

We look forward to taking part in the design process of the park in the near future.

Respectfully,

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