

June 25, 2021

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Dear Members of the Planning and Housing Committee:

RE: Planning and Housing Committee Meeting June 28, 2021 - Agenda Item PH25.7: The Future of Yonge and Eglinton's Canada Square: Supporting Midtown Residents' Quality of Life

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 Avenue. Yonge and Eglinton is a major node in close proximity to our neighbourhood, and the development of the site will impact our residents.

We are writing in strong support for the new Midtown Town Centre vision for the Canada Square site at Yonge and Eglinton developed by the Midtown Working Group and endorsed by Midtown Councillors Josh Matlow, Mike Colle and Jaye Robinson. This vision is a once-in-a-century legacy city-building opportunity on City-owned land, for what will soon be the second most significant transit hub – right in the middle of Toronto.

A Town Centre would provide sorely needed education, childcare, affordable housing, innovative jobs, cultural amenities, green space, town square, and community services and facilities. We believe it is essential that the City endorse this vision and do everything possible to bring it to life.

The Midtown Working Group achieved unanimous support for this shared vision in a mere six weeks. The group includes Councillors Colle, Matlow and Robinson; TDSB Trustees Rachel Chernos-Lin and Shelley Laskin, the Central Eglinton Community Centre, the Midtown Business Improvement Association, the Federation of North Toronto Residents' Associations, ten residents' associations and other community members that cover the length and breadth of Midtown.

We hope you will vote in favour of this important city-building motion.

Respectfully, Maureen Kapral, Vice-President Lytton Park Residents' Organization

c: Councillor Mike Colle Councillor Josh Matlow Councillor Jaye Robinson

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