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Infrastructure and Environment Committee [iec@toronto.ca](mailto:iec@toronto.ca)  
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To the Members of Infrastructure and Environment Committee:

**Re: Support for IE3.4 Carbon Accountability: Institutionalizing Governance, a Carbon Budget and an Offset Credits Policy to be considered at the April 26, 2023 Meeting**

The Bay Cloverhill Community Association represents 18,000 individuals in the Yonge/College/Queen's Park/Charles neighbourhood. With 12 planned developments in our area that we are aware of, in the next 10 years, our population will increase almost 55% to over 27,000 people. Our residents live primarily in condominiums and apartments. There are many senior citizens who are concerned about the world we are leaving to the numerous university students and families in the area.

Toronto faces many challenges today and into the future. We have to balance fiscal responsibility with environmental goals, while dealing with an aging infrastructure in a city with increasing population. It is our moral duty to consider the environmental impacts that will be left for the next generation.

There is no time to waste in creating Chapter 669 in the Municipal Code to outline the Climate Change Goals and Governance into Toronto's Municipal Code. Delay is not acceptable, as it will increase future costs and make it even more difficult to attain the City's net zero goal by 2040.

We support the recommendation for carbon removal offsets towards calculations of reaching our net zero goal. Although this type of offset is more expensive, it truly reflects the environmental goal of reducing greenhouse gases created by human activity.

Please recommend this item for City Council's approval for their session starting on May 10, 2023.

Sincerely,

BCCA Executive

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