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То:	Board of Health
Cc:	Councillor Moise; Councillor Saxe; info@nomorenoisetoronto.com
Subject:	[External Sender] Re: Correspondence July 8, 2024 Meeting Item HL14.1 – Toronto Public Health Strategy
Date:	July 5, 2024 12:02:19 PM
Attachments:	letter of support noise july 2024 updated.pdf

Please see updated correspondence.

Thank you Christine Dingemans Bay Cloverhill Community Association

On Fri, Jul 5, 2024 at 1:17 AM BCCA Information <<u>info@baycloverhill.com</u>> wrote: Please consider the attached letter for the upcoming Board of Health meeting on July 8th.

Thank you,

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boh@toronto.ca Ms. Amanda Wahl Board of Health Toronto City Hall 100 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

To the Members of the Toronto Board of Health:

Re: Support for July 8, 2024 Meeting Item HL14.1 – Toronto Public Health Strategy (updated)

The Bay Cloverhill Community Association represents 18,000 individuals in the Yonge/College/Queen's Park/Charles neighbourhood in University Rosedale Ward 11 and Toronto Centre Ward 13. Our community consists of seniors, adults, university students and families who live mostly in high rise condominium and apartment buildings. Being part of the vibrant downtown area means pedestrians dealing with busy sidewalks, cyclists sharing crowded streets with delivery drivers, cars and trucks and coordinating daily activities with the over 40 special events that happen in the area.

We are advocating for the inclusion of noise issues as a priority of Toronto Public Health's Strategic Plan 2024-2028. The Board of Health needs to direct the Medical Officer of Health to address indoor and outdoor noise health issues.

Noise effects every resident in Bay Cloverhill, from dogs barking in Breadalbane Park to construction noise from the 8 Wellesley Street West condominium development. There is frequently noise from protestors in Queen's Park or on Yonge Street, as well as vehicular traffic on city streets. Air handling units on building roofs emit loud noises during summer months, and usually at night time when residents are trying to sleep. Late night/early morning loud garbage trucks and street sweepers disturb residents in their homes. During the summer and fall, the loud conversations of patrons of CafeTO patios like the one on St. Nicholas Street, north of Wellesley Street West, echo to the adjacent condominium and apartment buildings. The drone of leaf blowers by landscapers is disruptive.

Residents tell us that excessive and persistent noise have a negative effect on their mental health, as well as causing physical stress by not being able to sleep or relax in their homes and in the neighbourhood.

All types of noise are a serious health issue, and this needs to be a priority in the Strategic Plan for the next 4 years. Resident associations and community advocates like No More Noise Toronto are a valuable resource that should remain part of the consultation process. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Bay Cloverhill Community Association Executive

Christine Dingemans, President Marilyn Tait-McClellan, Treasurer

Cathy Carnevalí, Secretary Kathryn Holden, Ex-Offícío

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