

December 4, 2024

To: Toronto Planning and Housing Committee phc@toronto.ca

Re: PH17.2 – Expanding Housing Options in Neighbourhoods – Neighbourhood Retail and Services Study Phase Two Final Report Consideration

On behalf of the Federation of South Toronto Residents' Associations (FoSTRA), which represents Wards 4, 9, 10, 11 and 13, incorporating 29 residents' associations with their thousands of members, we are writing to request that this report be deferred because there has been little or no consultation with residents' organizations.

To our knowledge, no comprehensive consultation was undertaken with the residents' organizations that we represent; the people who will be most impacted by these changes.

The staff report states the following.

"Page 15 of Staff report Public Meetings

Four in-person, drop in consultation events and two virtual consultation events took place throughout June 2024. One in-person consultation event was held in each of the Planning Districts. During the consultation events, the Neighbourhood Retail and Services team presented background information about the study, information about the proposed amendments, and presented the opportunity for residents to ask questions and provide feedback about the project."

However to our knowledge, these "Stakeholder Meetings" were as follows:

"Stakeholder meetings included the Toronto Regional Real Estate Board, the Toronto Association of Business Improvement Areas, Toronto Board of Trade and Toronto Parking Authority as well as individual businesses, researchers, and professionals such as planners and architects."

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Please defer this report until such time as all affected residents associations have been meaningfully consulted.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

Chair

cc FoSTRA members BVRA