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Dear Members of Toronto East York Community Council,

RE TE12.15 - City-Initiated Zoning By-law Amendments - Re-allocating Section 37 funds within Ward 11

ABC Residents Association ("ABCRA") is an incorporated volunteer body that has been in existence since 1957. ABCRA represents the interests of residents who live in the area between Yonge Street and Avenue Road and Bloor Street to the CPR tracks.

ABCRA attended the community consultation and has been heavily involved in the progress of this City-Initiated Zoning By-law Amendments. We are concerned to see the discrepancy between the language used in the staff report and the language used in the draft by-law amendment.

In the staff report, for each property, the language says "It is proposed that funds could be used for improvements at any TTC subway station in the vicinity of the lands of the associated By-laws, within Ward 11, University-Rosedale." and "It is proposed that these funds could be used for climate-smart affordable housing in the vicinity of the lands of the associated By-laws, within Ward 11, University-Rosedale. "

However, the language in the by-law omits the specificity, referencing " **any Toronto Transit Commission Subway Station**" and or "**for costs toward climate smart affordable housing**"

The draft amendments should be changed to reflect the Staff report to state explicitly that the reallocated funds will be used in Ward 11 University Rosedale.

We also request that it be made explicit that the local community must be included in any decisions to further redirect this funding. This money represents years of negotiations and consultations with residents across our respective boundaries, and we feel strongly that the city must continue to include us in decisions about its allocation.

2. Section 1 (11)(b) is amended to add the words, prior to the semi-colon, “or improvements to any Toronto Transit Commission Subway Station *in the vicinity of the lands of the associated By-laws, within Ward 11, University-Rosedale*”.

3. Section 1 (11)(c) is amended to add the words, prior to the semi-colon, “or for costs toward climate smart affordable housing *in the vicinity of the lands of the associated By-laws, within Ward 11, University-Rosedale*”.

4. A new Section 1 (11)(l) is added to read “In the event the cash contributions referred to in Section 1 (11) (a) to (j) have not been used for the intended purpose within 3 years of the enactment of By-law 133-1999, the cash contributions may be redirected for another purpose, at the discretion of the Chief Planner and Executive Director of City Planning, in consultation with the local Councillor, *and local residents*, provided that the purposes are identified in the Toronto Official Plan and will benefit the community in the vicinity of the lands.”

Sincerely,

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