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To: Clerk; Councillor Malik; Economic and Community Development; Councillor Fletcher; Councillor Moise; Councillor

Bravo; Councillor Carroll; Councillor Mantas; Councillor Kandavel

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Subject: [External Sender] EC18.8 - Developing an Urgent Downtown Coyote Action Plan, Economic and Development

Committee Meeting Feb. 26, 2025

**Date:** February 24, 2025 10:43:15 AM

Hello,

In regards to the upcoming meeting about Toronto's Coyote Situation this Wed. Feb. 26, 2024 being held by the Economic and Development Committee, please read this submission and also make this available for public viewing.

Thank you, Clyde Robinson

As we are now finally and properly respecting our Indigenous peoples, we must also respect the indigenous animals that evolution has developed. We must also now start living with nature and its inhabitants in harmony starting this generation and set an example for our future residents.

To stop attracting the coyotes we must reduce the food sources. Stop people from feeding them, have the garbage bins emptied more often, we must also keep pets on leashes to prevent attracting coyotes.

We must equip our Bylaw Enforcement Officers (BEOs) with body worn cameras such as we have done with our Police and TTC Special Constables. As of now, people with off leash pets, can simply walk away from a BEO without having to provide identification. Cameras could identify the perpetrators and their pets. Proper enforcement would be the hiring of Special Constables who have the authority to apprehend and detain offenders. Judges should also stop reducing the fine amounts as is currently happening. This will also bring in more revenue.

Killing and relocating coyotes to a legal maximum of 1 kilometer won't work as they and others will find their way back. We must work with nature not against it.

Just as the non-native invasive plants have taken over Toronto's natural spaces bringing our precious areas to ecological collapse, this time man must learn to deal properly with and not against our coyote's behaviours. Nature does not have a voice to speak for itself, **we** must protect it or there will be none.

Please also read this from the Toronto Wildlife Centre:
https://www.torontowildlifecentre.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/Liberty-Village-Coyote-Situation-1.pdf
and this from ProtectNatureTO
https://www.protectnatureto.org/dogs-in-natural-areas/
If nothing changes nothing changes.
Thank you, Clyde Robinson