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To: [Economic and Community Development](#)
Subject: [External Sender] Toronto Agenda item 2025. EC18.2.
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Dear Economic and Community Development Committee,

My name is Candice Raic and my business is Femme Women's Wellness Medical and Cosmetics located at 371 Fairlawn Ave. My property and business are located in the proposed Upper Avenue Road BIA area, as noted with the aforementioned address. I am writing to you today regarding "Proposed Upper Avenue Business Improvement Area Poll Results (Ward 8)" Item number EC 18.2 for the meeting on February 26th at 9:30 am.

I am writing to inform you that I do not feel that its results accurately reflect the true feelings of the community towards enacting a BIA on Avenue Road. It has been made clear that contrary to Chapter 19 of the Toronto Municipal code, Section 2.3 Subsection C which states that: "The steering committee shall also distribute the notice to all persons who are non-residential tenants of those properties receiving notice under Subsection A", as multiple businesses in our community did not receive notice, information/resources, or a ballot from anyone identifying as a person associated with the Steering Committee.

Aside many businesses failure to receive proper notice from their Landlord and/or the Steering Committee, I am also concerned that the Canada Post postal strike occurred on November 15th, 2024 during the voting window which may have hindered the process and not allowed for votes to be submitted by mail as outlined in Chapter 19.

I want to make it clear that there needs to be a re-vote in order to accurately portray the requests of the community.

Thank you for your consideration and I hope you will see that this vote must be redone with proper notice and not during a postal strike.

Regards,

Candice Raic