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RE: Toronto Agenda Item 2025.EX23.2 – Objection to Eglinton park land transfers for TOC

On behalf of the Richmond Gardens and Princess Anne community, we are submitting our objection to rezoning park land to build housing. **We ask the City to refuse to transfer park land at Eglinton and Wincott to the province for TOCs.**

We vehemently oppose rezoning park land for housing

We wonder if the province and City are aware that this parcel is designated park in the Official Plan. This can explain the error of the request, and should inform Council's decision to correct and deny the transfer. Two of the requested lands are designated parks but the land at Eglinton and Wincott is, in fact, not even located at an LRT station.

This park should be protected because it abuts a (massive) approved development

These lands were specifically designated as park in 2021 - largely to protect some active green space adjacent to the protected remnant mature forest to the east - given the massive intensification approved on the west side of the intersection, which the developer has since asked to double. It is understood the first phase of this project will consist of a massive midrise rental building with 370 units. It is unlikely these renters will have any other reasonable active outdoor open space to enjoy and benefit from especially in proximity to a relatively natural forested environment.

You received strong opposition from the community despite no consultation and almost no advance notice

This is the second time in a year where an Etobicoke park is secretly proposed as a future building site and we are thoroughly disappointed by the lack of transparency and consultation from the province and the City.

Our community has supported development, given the need for affordable housing and intensification along the LRT, and we worked with Trinity (the developer) and the City to arrive at the City-approved plans for Trinity's project at Wincott and Eglinton. We also demand thoughtful planning, and do not support the City transferring the park at Wincott and Eglinton to the province for TOCs.

Respectfully Submitted,

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