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To the City Clerk:

Please add my attached comments to the agenda for the June 17, 2025 Executive Committee meeting on item 2025.EX24.4, Leveraging City-Owned Real Estate to Support City Council Objectives - Long-Term Financial Plan Update

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City of Toronto Agenda Item

2025.EX24.4 - Leveraging City-Owned Real Estate to Support City Council Objectives - Long-Term Financial Plan Update

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Dear Mayor Chow and Executive Committee Members,

Re: Opposition to the Removal of Green P Parking Lots at 66 Third Street, 120 Sixth Street, and 140 Fifth Street in New Toronto

I am writing as both a long-time member of the New Toronto community and a resident who has chosen to raise my family here. Before purchasing my first house nearly a decade ago, I worked in this neighbourhood for 14 years, witnessing first-hand the positive changes and growth our community has experienced. Over these years, New Toronto has welcomed many new families, contributing to a vibrant and diverse local culture.

However, I am deeply concerned about the proposed removal of the Green P parking lots at 66 Third Street, 120 Sixth Street, and 140 Fifth Street, which are frequently used by both residents and visitors within and outside our community. While I fully support the City's commitment to housing equity, I believe these changes could have unintended negative consequences for our neighbourhood.

For New Toronto to thrive, we need to encourage appropriate density—especially along Lake Shore Boulevard, where increased population can help sustain local businesses. Unfortunately, our restaurants and retail establishments are already struggling to stay afloat. The removal of critical parking infrastructure will not only make it harder for these businesses to attract customers from outside the immediate area, but it will also impede the very densification the City seeks to encourage.

As someone who has worked and lived here, I know the importance of having feet on the street (density) for our community. Convenient, affordable parking is essential to our local economy. The planned reduction of 62.7% of Green P parking spaces—without a concrete replacement strategy—will deter visitors, limit access for families and seniors, and undermine the economic viability of our beautiful lakeside community. These lots are not just for cars; they are vital connectors that enable residents and visitors alike to support local businesses, use our parks, and enjoy the waterfront.

Moreover, New Toronto already provides more than its fair share of Rent-Geared-to-Income and supportive housing. Adding further density without proper infrastructure, support, and equitable distribution across other Toronto neighbourhoods is both unfair

and unsustainable. It will cause irreparable damage to our community far beyond parking – it will contribute to the demise of its economic viability to thrive.

I respectfully urge you to remove 66 Third Street, 120 Sixth Street, and 140 Fifth Street from the list of proposed development sites. Instead, I encourage the City to focus on a balanced, citywide approach to affordable and supportive housing, and to support the economic health and accessibility of communities like ours.

Thank you for considering the unique needs and contributions of New Toronto. I trust you will act in the best interest of residents, businesses, and families.

Sincerely,

Resident, Fifth Street.