

City Council - City of Toronto Toronto City Hall 100 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

March 25, 2025

Re: Support for Public Realm Park Projects -2025.MM28.4 Park Improvements at Pricefield Road Park

Dear Members of Toronto City Council,

The ABC Residents Association (ABCRA) is pleased to express its support for Councillor Dr. Diane Saxe's motions regarding the creation of a new park at 819 Yonge Street (MM28.1) and the proposed playground enhancements and park improvements at Pricefield Road Park (MM28.4).

As a volunteer organization representing residents in Toronto's Yorkville/North Midtown community—bounded by Yonge Street, Avenue Road, Bloor Street, and the CPR tracks—ABCRA is committed to advocating for initiatives that enhance the public realm. Access to well-designed, thoughtfully maintained green spaces is essential to the quality of life in our neighborhood.

The creation of a new park at 819 Yonge Street offers a crucial opportunity to introduce green space in a dense urban environment, which will benefit current and future residents. We also acknowledge the historical and cultural significance of this land as part of the traditional territories of Indigenous Peoples, including the Wendat, Haudenosaunee, and Anishinaabe Nations. Creating a public space here allows us to honor this history and meaningfully recognize the land's Indigenous heritage.

Similarly, the planned improvements to Pricefield Road Park will enhance an already well-used community space, ensuring it continues to serve families, children, and all who enjoy the park for recreation and relaxation.

ABCRA has long supported initiatives that invest in our neighborhood's public spaces, and we welcome these efforts to strengthen the green infrastructure of our community. We appreciate the leadership of Councillor Saxe in advancing these motions and encourage City Council to approve and prioritize these projects.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, ABC Residents Association (ABCRA) abcra@abc.ca

The ABC Residents Association is a volunteer organization committed to enhancing the quality of life in our neighbourhood through active participation in municipal issues. We serve the residents living in Toronto's Yorkville / North Midtown community between Yonge Street west to Avenue Road and Bloor Street north to the CPR tracks.