



**Federation of
South Toronto
RESIDENTS'
ASSOCIATIONS**

October 28, 2025

Mr. Gord Perks
Chair
Planning and Housing Committee
Toronto City Hall
Toronto, Ontario

Re: PH25.3 – Expanding Housing Options in Neighbourhoods

The Federation of South Toronto Residents Associations (FoSTRA) is a community-based organization that currently represents 29 residents' associations (RAs) in the five downtown wards – Wards 4, 9, 10, 11 and 13 – and, through these RAs, hundreds of thousands of Toronto residents.

Through its Advocacy and Activism Committee, FoSTRA recently passed a motion to support the EHON Retail in Neighbourhoods with conditions.

“Providing the City allocates sufficient resources for enforcement, and fines are deterrents, FoSTRA supports the EHON Retail initiative as currently defined.”

Many residents are concerned about the potential impacts on their communities, particularly in terms of noise and disruption. The City continues to struggle with the effective enforcement of the bylaws with the existing base; one can only imagine the added burden a new set of enterprises will bring.

Our endorsement carries a specific proviso: sufficient bylaw resources to address infractions quickly and fines set sufficiently high to be real deterrents, perhaps even escalating with repeat offences.



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An opportunity exists to encourage the development of richer, more complete communities, such as those that thrive in other jurisdictions around the world which so many people enjoy by ensuring adequate guardrails are in place.

Sincerely yours,

Rick Green
Chair

cc. Toronto City Councillors