



**MORE NEIGHBOURS  
TORONTO**

Dear Members of Toronto and East York Community Council,

**RE: TE20.9 - 1212-1220 Yonge Street - Zoning By-law Amendment Application -  
Decision Report - Approval**

***About More Neighbours Toronto***

[More Neighbours Toronto](#) is a volunteer-only organization of housing advocates that believe in building more multi-family homes of all kinds for those who dream of building their lives in Toronto. We advocate for reforms to increase our city's ability to build more homes in every neighbourhood. We are a big-tent organization with members across the political spectrum who are committed to counterbalancing the anti-housing agenda that has dominated Toronto's politics, created an affordability crisis, and cost burdened a new generation of aspiring residents. We are firmly committed to the principle that housing is a human right and believe Toronto should be inclusive and welcoming to all.

***Position***

**More Neighbours Toronto strongly supports this Zoning By-law Amendment.** This application will create 273 much needed units of housing in a high-demand area already well served by transit, nearby parks and ravines, and commercial areas near St Clair station.

We encourage members of the Community Council to approve this project, and to work with City Planning staff to continue to refine and reform our planning processes and By-laws to make projects like this faster and easier to build. We note that this application was originally submitted in August 2022, and has been revised based on feedback from city staff. We wonder whether the revisions are valuable enough to future residents of this building to justify 2.5 years of delay. Given the ongoing housing crisis, we believe the city should strive to approve development applications in a timely manner.

Kind Regards,

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More Neighbours Toronto