



**MORE NEIGHBOURS
TORONTO**

Dear Members of Toronto and East York Community Council,

RE: TE23.3 - 604-610 Bay Street and 130 Elizabeth Street - Official Plan and 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 development will create 858 much-needed housing units, including a substantial 245 affordable rental units.

The site is in the heart of downtown, with access to all the amenities the city has to offer - transit, entertainment, employment opportunities, and the waterfront. The area is well-served by transit and is extremely walkable and bikeable. This in-demand area is ideal for additional housing and density.

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 in all areas of the city.

Regards,

Will de la Guardia,
More Neighbours Toronto