



June 22, 2026

Her Worship Olivia Chow
Mayor of Toronto
c/o John Elvidge, City Clerk
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RE: IE30.8 Queen's Park North Donation - Concept Plan Update Report (Ward 11)

Dear Mayor Chow and Members of Council:

I am writing to express the University of Toronto's support for the revitalization of Queen's Park North and the updated concept plan before City Council for approval.

As North America's most sustainable university and No. 2 in the world, U of T is a global leader in integrating sustainability in every aspect of university life, from teaching to operations. The university believes Queen's Park North, thoughtfully restored and re-envisioned, will serve as an exceptional and enduring green space at the heart of the city and the St. George Campus.

The updated plan reflects objectives that the university strongly supports. The core goals of Queen's Park North are to protect and strengthen the tree canopy, create accessible public space, and build on the park's role as a civic gathering space. These aims align with the university's commitments to environmental stewardship and education, and to reinforcing the relationship between the campus and surrounding communities and institutions.

Our leadership team has been working closely with the City, community stakeholders, and the donor to support the updated plan which honours the park's ecological and historical significance. The university is proud to continue this collaboration through the long-term maintenance and operation commitments that will protect this revitalization well into the future.

We are pleased to reaffirm the university's strong support for this initiative, and we look forward to continued partnership with the City and the Weston Foundation in bringing this vision to life.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Woodin
President