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Executive Committee  
c/o Ms. Cathrine Regan  
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To the members of the Executive Committee:

**Re: March 10, 2026 Executive Meeting Agenda 2026.EX29.3 Update on Weston Foundation Donation for Queen's Park North Revitalization**

We support all the issues raised in Councillor Saxe's letter of March 3, 2026, requesting an amendment to the staff report. In addition, the concept plan should be presented to the Infrastructure and Environment Committee for consideration of public feedback. The generosity of the donor is appreciated for supporting the important civic space at Queen's Park North.

The community supports small-scale, community-led activities in our public parks. However, we are concerned about any moves to introduce larger-scale programming that draws large crowds. In past years, illegal raves took place during Nuit Blanche which caused extensive damage and neighbourhood disruption.

The essential component of 'place keeping' should direct the design and operation of Queen's Park North, not the disruptive 'place making' big ideas of current design proposals. While we understand the design process is still being developed, we are vehemently opposed to the proposed tree walk and suggest something like an observation tower at the south end of the park would be more appropriate. There are concerns about the disruption that a café in the middle of the park would create. Continued community consultation on the proposed elements needs to be continued and taken into consideration for the new elements designed in the park.

The history of substandard maintenance of Queen's Park North creates an opportunity to improve the condition and cleanliness of this well loved park that is used extensively by many condo residents without access to any greenspace. Local residents associations should be involved in any future programming and operation of this important 13 acre green space to ensure that adjacent institutions do not dominate programming in Queen's Park.

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For the last 30 years, the Bay Cloverhill Community Association has advocated for a great urban neighbourhood by working closely with residents and stakeholders. Our vision is of a green, clean and safe community recognized for its exceptional quality of life. We represent over 20,000 residents in the Yonge/College/Queen's Park/Charles neighbourhood in Ward 13 Toronto Centre and Ward 11 University Rosedale.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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