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Re: Ontario Place Construction Management Plan for Pedestrian and Cycling Safety and Traffic Management

Dear Members of the Toronto East York Community Council,

Due to the Province's choice to cut short the City's planning approval process for Ontario Place redevelopment, the usual oversight by the City on development implementation has not been followed. This includes the submission of a Construction Management Plan to the City which is typical of all development approvals.

Any construction at Ontario Place will require access through the Lake Shore Blvd. W. corridor, an area that a [City staff review](#) have confirmed experiences heavy traffic, and is close to Exhibition Place which hosts signature events such as the CNE and Toronto Caribbean Festival. It will also require access across the busy Martin Goodman Trail, a major cycling and pedestrian multi-use trail that connects our city, which a [City staff report](#) has identified for safety improvements. A Construction Management Plan is required to ensure pedestrian and cycling safety is prioritized, and truck access routes are understood to minimize impacts, and more.

In addition, the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Gaming should convene a Construction Liaison Committee (CLC) for Ontario Place to provide a forum for information sharing and feedback on the work and access around the site. These groups have been successfully convened by Provincial bodies for major projects including current and past works such as the Ontario Line, GO Expansion in the Union Station Rail Corridor, and the Flood Protection Landform in the West Don Lands, among others.

A CLC can provide an opportunity for proactive notice of work, schedules, and changes in access, among other matters. It will also allow for public transparency for any ongoing construction activities taking place at Ontario Place. The Province has engaged a number of stakeholder groups during the redevelopment process that can be considered for inclusion in a CLC, including those representing site users, residents, and businesses.

Recommendations:

1. City Council request the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Gaming to provide a Construction Management Plan for the Ontario Place redevelopment project, including traffic management and pedestrian and cycling safety measures.
2. City Council request the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Gaming convene a Construction Liaison Committee for Ontario Place to provide a forum for information sharing and feedback on the work and access taking place around the site.

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