



E Newsletter – July 22, 2019

TTC On-line Survey – Complete by July 26th

The TTC is initiating a Five-Year Service Plan and 10-Year Outlook to build on their Corporate Plan (2018-2022) and strengthen Toronto's mobility network. The Plan and Outlook will set a vision and identify strategies and actions to improve mobility so that residents from Toronto and outlying areas can access the many employment, educational and cultural opportunities Toronto has to offer.

TTC is asking Torontonians for their feedback through a short five minute on-line survey available at the following link: [TTC5Year ServicePlan.metroquest.ca](https://www.ttc.ca/5YearServicePlan/metroquest.ca)

The survey will close on July 26, 2019 and results will help the TTC develop a blueprint to improve surface transit service.

***Subway Upload* is here - now what? - online transit survey on the City of Toronto's webpage**

The provincial government's transit takeover legislation, Bill 107, opens the TTC up to privatization and gives the province the power to dictate rapid transit plans and take over TTC and City of Toronto assets without compensation. The City of Toronto has held public consultations about the province's transit takeover.

You can complete the online transit survey on the City of Toronto's webpage.

<https://www.toronto.ca/city-government/accountability-operations-customer-service/city-administration/city-managers-office/key-intiatives/transit-responsibilities-review-between-the-city-the-province/>

Yonge & Eglinton Midtown in Focus & Provincial Bill 108

Minister's Approval of Official Plan Amendment 405 (Yonge-Eglinton), part of Bill 108

The Midtown in Focus plan was the result of a 6-year, community-led process to help ensure that the Yonge-Eglinton area had infrastructure and social services such as childcare, parks and recreations space to support the growing neighbourhood. Without any consultation, the Ford government made changes. Changes that the province made to Midtown in Focus, as listed on Councillor Matlow's newsletter, include:

- Building height allowances were significantly increased;
- Requirement to have 10% affordable rental in buildings above 80 units removed;
- Office space requirements have been removed;
- Requirements to ensure that new developments still allow for at least 5 hours of sunlight on sidewalks next to mid-rises, and not cast net new shadows on parks removed;
- Minimum 12m setback for Eglinton greenline on the north side of Eglinton was removed;
- All minimum setbacks in tower neighbourhoods removed;
- Environmental initiatives such as minimizing heat loss/energy efficiency in buildings removed.

Lytton Park Community Spirit Awards - Nomination Request

Help us discover people who help to make our neighbourhood a good place to live.

Send your nominations for Best Garden and Best Street Party to lyttonparkresidentsorg@gmail.com

- Best Garden: Let's recognize our green-thumbed residents for helping to beautify the neighbourhood. Send us your nomination for your own garden, a neighbour's garden, or any garden that delights you within the LPRO area. A photo and a brief description would be helpful.
- Best Street Party: Tell us about your street party. Or if you know of another street that is having, or has had, a street party, let us know. We would need the name of the street and a contact name.

Vision Zero Road Safety Plan for Cyclists and Pedestrians

City Council passed the *Cycling Network Plan* Update and the 2019 cycling infrastructure installation.

- ✓ *Danforth Ave*: detailed design for bicycle infrastructure from Broadview to Dawes due by Q2 2020, with implementation to follow
- ✓ *Bloor St W*: consult on and implement a bike lane extension from Shaw to High Park as early as mid-2020
- ✓ *Complete streets by default*: when reconstructing a street, staff must consider building a Complete Street, which includes bike lanes
- ✓ *Cycling Network Update Plan approved*, giving staff the go-ahead to pursue studies and consultation on key city-wide projects
- ✓ Council also agreed to build bike lanes on Argyle Street, Blue Jays Way, Vaughan Road, and Lawrence Avenue East; Scarlett Road, Willowdale Avenue, and Conlins Road will receive cycle tracks - all in 2019!

You can review the City's Vision Zero Plan - <https://www.toronto.ca/services-payments/streets-parking-transportation/road-safety/vision-zero/>

Public Consultations

The City of Toronto (Municipal Licensing and Standards) is reviewing by-laws related to temporary signs, payday loan establishments, property standards and building maintenance, and wants your feedback!

- **Temporary Signs By-law Review**
July 22, 6 to 8 p.m. at City Hall, Second Floor, Committee Room #3
The review aims to modernize the by-law and make it easier for the public to understand the rules governing temporary signs, such as A-frame signs, garage sale signs, mobile signs, new development signs, open house signs and real estate signs. In addition, the review is considering regulations to permit temporary signs that display messages of public interest and construction-related signs on private property. More information: toronto.ca/signsreview
- **Property Standards and Building Maintenance**
July 24, 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Metro Hall, Room 308/309
This will include a review of the Property Standards By-law, and issues related to apartment building standards, indoor temperatures, rat mitigation, and odour. More information: toronto.ca/propertystandardsreview
- **Payday Loan Establishments**
July 25, 6 to 8 p.m. at North York Civic Centre, Members Lounge
Payday loans are short-term, unsecured, small-dollar loans, but they are an expensive way to borrow money. The City of Toronto is reviewing the licensing and cap of payday loan establishments in the city of Toronto, and wants to hear from you. More information: toronto.ca/paydayloanreview

There are a number of ways you can be involved and help shape policy. Visit the consultation websites for more details on how you can:

- Attend public consultations
- Submit written feedback
- Subscribe to email updates

Feedback from these consultations will be used to inform reviews of these by-laws. Reports on these reviews are expected to go to City Council at the end of 2019 and the beginning of 2020.

Inclusionary Zoning Policy Consultation – Survey available until July 31st

What is Inclusionary Zoning?

- * A land-use policy tool that would allow the City to require affordable housing units in new developments;
- * It typically creates affordable housing options for households earning too much to be eligible for low-income housing but not enough to be able to afford market rents or prices.
- * These households generally fall between the 30th and 60th percentile of the income distribution. In the City of Toronto, this includes households earning between \$35,000 to \$88,500 per year, depending on household size.

To learn more about the Inclusionary Zoning Policy Consultation and to take the survey, visit:

<https://s.cotsurvey.chkmkt.com/?e=163251&d=e&h=8FDCAD336085150&l=en>

Celebrate Summer at Toronto's History Museums!

Toronto History Museums have announced their summer programs, giving residents an opportunity to celebrate the season and learn local history. The full program lineup is available at

<https://www.toronto.ca/museums-events>.

Let's Improve Our Tree Canopy

- Please water newly planted City trees on your front lawn! Let's help Toronto's tree canopy grow;
- Interested in a backyard tree? Subsidized consultation and planting -

<https://www.yourleaf.org/full-service-backyard-tree-planting>

Update on the Historic Alexandra Gates

As you know the Trull Funeral Home was sold some time ago. The owner of the property has been issued a demolition permit. We are pleased to announce that prior to demolition, the owner has agreed to retain ERA Architects (Heritage Conservationists) to remove and store "the Gates". Following construction of their planned development, the owner will be working with the City, LPRO, Heritage Toronto and ERA to restore the Gates.

LPRO MEMBERSHIP \$20.00 PER HOUSEHOLD – JOIN OR RENEW FOR 2019!

We encourage you to become a member or renew your membership with Lytton Park Residents' Organization, especially if you care about protecting and advancing the community's interests and fostering a sense of neighbourhood in our area.

LPRO's membership year extends from January to December, so it's time to renew your membership for 2019. Your support helps us vigorously represent our shared neighbourhood interests. Our collective voice has impressive impact and effectiveness in matters affecting our community. Thank you for your continued membership support. It's pivotal for our representative credibility and funding needs. There are approximately 3,000 households in the Lytton Park area. Thank you in advance for supporting your community.

Ways to Join or Renew: MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO: Lytton Park Residents' Organization Inc. and mail it with the completed form below to "Lytton Park Residents' Organization Inc., Box 45031, 2482 Yonge St., Toronto, ON M4P 3E3", or even easier - donate via **Credit Card/PayPal:** visit <https://lpro.wordpress.com> & select "**MEMBERSHIP**". Cheques with this form can also be dropped off at **235 Glenview Avenue.**

2019 Membership Form - Membership Type: New / Renewal

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

Email Address 1: _____ Other Phone: _____

Email Address 2: _____

I would like more information about the LPRO: Yes/No I am available as a community volunteer:
Yes/No

I would like to help in the following areas: _____

Comments: _____

Questions? Email us at lyttonparkresidentsorg@gmail.com