



To: ARECA Residents and others in the Community

The ARECA Board continues to work diligently on matters impacting our community. Over the years we have learned many things and have been able to better serve the community as a result.

ARECA is hosting a PUBLIC MEETING on APRIL 2nd starting at 7:00 pm at the North Toronto Community Centre about the proposed 20 townhouses where St. Margaret's once stood. The Macs Milk site is being considered by the TTC for the Eglinton LRT. How will the proposed development and the future home of the LRT station work together? Will allowing the townhomes being built to the sidewalk provide safe passage for pedestrians of all ages to access the LRT station? It makes sense to now be considering the future of the entire corner.

The answer is to say ... *let's plan this properly* rather than say *stop!*

4 FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES

1. Addressing the encroachment of intensification projects upon adjoining stable residential neighbourhoods **AND** likewise encumbering transit stations and mainstreet developments.
2. The establishment of a robust transit network comprised of the Eglinton LRT, its ground level stations and tributary bus routes capable of delivering a high order of future service.
3. To create environments surrounding these LRT ground level stations that offer a rich provision of retail and service accessible to transit riders, local neighbourhood pedestrians and car traffic alike.
4. Describe in general a development pattern along the length of the Eglinton intensification corridor that addresses the issues of:
 - transition to the closely adjoined residential neighbourhoods
 - dynamic activated streetscapes
 - providing shops and services with the necessary infrastructure for these enterprises, and
 - development of community relevant housing and services above street level.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Local Residents... because it's about protecting stable neighbourhoods, establishing robust public transit, maintaining and enhancing good mainstreet shopping, and accommodating intensification along the Eglinton corridor in an astute and comprehensive fashion.

Local Businesses and Property Owners... because it's about strengthening retail and investment opportunities surrounding LRT stations, and throughout the Eglinton LRT corridor in general.

Community Decision Makers, Urban Planners and Transportation Planners... because it's about: *how all these interests can be interwoven into a comprehensive beneficial outcome.*

Please share this information with your neighbours and we look forward to seeing you on April 2nd. The latest information can always be found at www.areca.info.