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Dear Neighbour !

With winter returning this past week, I hope everyone has made it safely through the storm. Around six centimetre only gave a little taste of what Toronto can expect 311. If you see any issues that require attention you can also contact the office.

This week a **North York Community Council** I successfully passed a motion to ask the City Manager to explore the feasibility of a Community Safety Hub that oversees one of Toronto's existing **Crime Stoppers**. The plan would lead to a reduction in representatives for our constituents in Toronto, one of the fastest growing and most diverse cities in the world. The City Manager has two or six weeks to this deliberations.

LEARN More I am having a **Willowdale Community Safety Town Hall this Tuesday, February 28** at 7pm. Dr Dorsen police will be attending as well as staff from Toronto Crime Stoppers. I want to hear from residents about what community concerns as well as ideas and suggestions from Dr Dorsen on how we can improve our community safety. Please RSVP to **Community Safety Town Hall Hosted by Councillor Lily Cheng** if you plan to attend in person, online or by phone and to listen to our discussion. However, they will not be participating on the panel. Instead, we will have representatives from Crime Stoppers. Dr Dorsen will be providing special guests to come in person if you are able. These will be Chief Peter and Christian parker and Michael Jackson. CLICK HERE to RSVP

Provision for the evening:
7:0 0pm: Current with neighbours, **SOHA** and **Dress Hall** chair on the Community Safety Hub Pilot Project, **Toronto Crime Stoppers** and **Toronto Beyond Summer Neighbourhood Association**. Dr Dorsen will be **7:30-8pm**. Presentation by Dr Dorsen (our local police - in person and virtual) **8pm-9:0pm** - Open Discussion and Q&A (in person and virtual)

We will also be sharing details on the establishment of a **Community Liaison Committee** (CLC) for Willowdale. If you feel you can join a working team to identify solutions to our safety concerns!

We are also launching a Community Survey to help us better understand the concerns in needs in our community. Please take a moment and give us your answers and ideas.

Stay Warm,
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- GRID Cycle Lane Implementation Dates
- Willowdale Library - Toronto's Newcomer Day
- Toronto Public Library Updates
- Harvard Screen Tax Declaration - Deadline Feb 28, 2023

COMMUNITY EVENTS ACROSS WILLOWDALE

UPCOMING Events
- **HAPPENING TODAY!** - **Free Drop-ins & Dance Fusion Workout** Sat, Feb 25, 11:30am - 12:45pm @ Cummer/Concorde Centre
- **Newcomers Welcome Day** (in person) Sat, Feb 25 | North York | Sun, Feb 26, 4pm - 6pm @ Spectrum Church 5320 Yonge
- **Willowdale Community Safety Town Hall** Tuesday, Feb 28 7pm - 9pm Hosted by Councillor Lily Cheng (Attending Councillor Lily Cheng) RSVP HERE
- **SAFE THE DATE: Willowdale's Nowruz for Kids** Mar 18, 11am @ North York Public Library Hosted by Councillor Lily Cheng, in partnership with the Toronto Public Library Willowdale

COMMUNITY Events Community Development Consultations
- Tue, Feb 28, 6:30 - 8:30pm - 5570 Yonge Street Consultation RSVP HERE

UPCOMING Consultations
- Wed, Mar 1 - Mar 31 - Public Meeting for Yonge-Sheppard Corridor Urban Design and Streetscape Plan
- Feb 27, 2023 - Mar 13, 2023 - Temporary Road Closure on Yorkview Drive between Pearland Court and Wynn Road
- Feb 2023 - TBA - Yonge North Subway Extension: Venice Avenue
- Feb 2023 - TBA - Yonge North Subway Extension: Drewry Avenue Crossing (Finch - Grandview)

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Thank you to Toronto Public Library for the wonderful tour of the North York Central Library, a true gem in our neighbourhood. We look forward to the many community events that can be hosted in the upcoming "Commons-inspired space!"

HAPPENING MONDAY! - COMMUNITY SAFETY TOWN HALL
Location: Willowdale Presbyterian Church, Online
Mon, Feb 27, 2023 - 7pm - 9:30pm
We are convening a Community Safety Town Hall to discuss more approachment our office with safety concerns. This Town Hall will be moderated by Dr Dorsen, Deputy Administrator (DDHA), staff will be available in person from 7:30 - 7:45 in person and online from 7:00 - 7:45 to answer your questions. We will be videotaped at the opportunity please make sure to attend in person.

If you have already registered as an online attendee but have changed your mind and want to attend in person, please update your RSVP on Eventbrite. Staff will help us get an electric count of in person and online attendees. We are also looking for volunteers to help with the event. If you are interested please contact Alessia Crescenzi and Thomas Ng and let them know the attendees to enjoy. We invite you to join in-person to serve these delicious snacks.

To register or change your ticket, please visit:
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/community-safety-town-hall-tickets-523000000007

Please let us know if you have any concerns, we only request that you submit any questions you may have in advance through the survey. This will allow us to identify the most pressing topics and avoid multiple questions on the same subject.

QUESTIONS FOR TOWNHALL

ONLINE SURVEY

Please take a moment and help us learn more about safety in our community. Click Here for survey. Please let another person know about this survey in fill out the survey.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION - 5570 Yonge St.
Location: Online
Tue, Feb 28, 2023 - 6:30pm - 8pm
The application is for a mixed-use building with a 26-storey tower to permit a mixed-use development with one hundred and twenty (120) residential units and 55 always (80.67 metres) in height. Each tower has a 5 storey podium having retail uses the ever building ground floor Yonge Street.

The proposed gross floor area is 49,646 square metres for residential, 587 square metres for retail/service uses. The Site Area is approximately 0.7 ha. The site is being proposed with a floor area index of 7.0 times the area of the site.

Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions during the live meeting. Please submit questions in advance through the survey or email at Councillor.Chang@toronto.ca with the subject line "5570 Yonge St."

To register: Location at Thoroughfares. A link to join the session will be posted on March 6.

Learn More

Yonge North Subway Extension
Finch - Grandview
Expected Timeline: February 21, 2023 - TBA
Drewry Avenue
Finch Station
Finch Avenue
Cummer Avenue
Cummer Station
Drewry Avenue Crossing
Finch - Grandview
Yonge North Subway Extension
Venice Avenue
Expected Timeline: February 21, 2023 - TBA
Venice Avenue
Finch Station
Finch Avenue
Cummer Avenue
Cummer Station
Venice Avenue Station
City of Vaughan
Yonge Street
Yonge Street Corridor
Urban Design and Streetscape Plan
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"Digital Folding Screen" art installation with Korean music performance (happening **TOMORROW!**) at **Gibson House** tomorrow to **Newcomers Welcome Tea organized by NeighbourLink North York** (also happening **TOMORROW!**)**;** there's something for everyone to enjoy. **Click to learn more and mark your calendars for these exciting events!**

Click Here to Check Out Local Events

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