AGENDA for
MEETING #100

Tuesday May 14, 2024
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

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Angelo Bertolas, Chair – Opening Comments

1. **Land Acknowledgement**
   - We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Wendat, the Anishnaabeg, Haudenosaunee, Chippewa, and the Mississaugas of the Credit. We pay tribute to their legacy and the legacy of all First Peoples of Canada. Today the traditional meeting place of Toronto is still home to many Indigenous People from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to work in the communities that have grown in the treaty lands.

This is YQNA's 100th meeting – a milestone after a dedicated run that started in 2003. YQNA has influenced many major developments on the Waterfront over the years, and many professional and personal bonds were formed.

A special announcement from Angelo Bertolas follows.

2. **Deputy Mayor Ausma Malik, also our City Councillor**

Speaks to our current concerns about:

- Any updates on
  - Developments on Harbourfront Centre's direction and new CEO
  - Waterfront LRT — timing and funding
  - Island Airport pressure on Tripartite Agreement extension due to runway expansion completion by 2027 to meet federal regulations
  - Rees Street Park funding and construction schedule
  - Noise bylaw — an opportunity to strengthen the rules and improve compliance and oversight for the greater good of Torontonians.
  - Airbnb
  - E-Scooter and micromobility pilot

3. **Provincial: Our MPP Chris Glover/Benna Whahedi (his Constituency Assistant)** with news of continuing controversies and legal challenges from the Ford government.

4. **Federal**: Our MP **Kevin Vuong** will provide Federal Updates and news of his own political affiliation.

5. **Guest speaker: Nerys Rau of George Brown College** is Project Director of Limberlost Place and in charge of the design and construction of this innovative wood building on the Waterfront. She speaks about the growing presence here of George Brown, with outstanding architecture, public spaces and access, and the lively addition of thousands of students.

6. **Harbourfront Centre** turns 50 and COO Massimo DeMaria talks about future plans.

7. **Tim Kocur,** Executive Director of the Waterfront BIA with area business news.

8. Other ideas from tonight's Chat Window.

9. A reminder that we at YQNA volunteer our time to work on issues that affect our area. There are expenses of running these Zoom meetings and carrying out our work on your behalf. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Please visit our web site YQNA.ca and click on the donate button.

10. **Membership Input Welcome** – While you are on our website, let us know your thoughts, concerns, priorities and suggestions for improvement. **YQNA.ca** wants to hear from you.

11. **Next Meeting Date**: The final word goes to Ryan Singh, our new chair. The meeting will be Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2024.