



**Agenda for  
Meeting #105**

**Tuesday May 13, 2025  
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM**

**Zoom Meeting  
available later [on YouTube](#)**

**YQNA Co-Chair Ed Hore** chairs the meeting

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 the legacy of all First Peoples of Canada, and we are grateful to have the opportunity to work in the communities that have grown in the treaty lands.
2. **Chair's comments.** Important political changes, with new MP Chi Nguyen replacing Kevin Vuong. Also, news and goals ahead for us.
3. **YQNA's Constitution** goes back to 2011. It was well-crafted by legal experts in YQNA but needs updating to reflect the changes that have happened during the last 12 years.
4. **Tom Davidson or Saarah Kahn will speak for Ausma Malik, City Councillor and Deputy Mayor,** Ward 10, Spadina–Fort York. New details about the City's role in ferry terminal improvements, and how the new federal government affects Toronto. The start of construction of Island Airport runway extensions, RESA.
5. **Chris Glover, MPP** for Spadina–Fort York reports on the provincial government's involvement both here and abroad, the new revelations about Therme Spa, and his own focus on local social issues.
6. **Chi Nguyen is our newly elected MP** for the Spadina-Harbourfront riding. She replaces Kevin Vuong, who has left politics. We are hoping to introduce Ms Nguyen here today – if not, at our next YQNA meeting.

7. **Guest Speaker is Doug Bennet**, senior project manager at Parks and Recreation of the new team in charge of electric ferries between the Waterfront and the Islands. This \$141 million investment will improve safety, speed and pollution levels compared to the century-old current ferries. Richard Farquharson, the power systems designer, will be part of the presentation, followed by Q & A.
8. **Tim Kocur, executive director of the Waterfront BIA**, is involved in numerous summer events along the Waterfront. He also has plans for an expansive fall festival that has YQNA's support.
9. **Massimo DeMaria, chief operating officer of Harbourfront Centre**, will fill us in on the summer highlights and aspirations for HfC. Also, buskers return this summer!

All are welcome to the next YQNA meeting on Tuesday September 9, 2025.