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Follow-up from meeting of April 2, 2012.

ARECA hosted a meeting on April 2nd to discuss the proposed townhouses at Burnaby and Avenue Road (where St. Margaret's Church stood) and the Eglinton/Avenue Road intersection where an LRT Station will be built.

ARECA sees that there are 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. 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.

The general consensus of all who attended was that the area should be looked at as "one" and that approving/building anything on the site where the Church once stood, without knowing how the LRT Station (likely where Mac's is located) would be un-wise. Issues of safety for pedestrians and motorists alike were top of the list.

That said, it appears the North York Community Council (NYCC) is poised to approve the developer's plan as early as April 17th. Details of what is before the NYCC can be found [here](#).

As always, we welcome your comments and ideas at information@areca.info and will do our best to keep you up to date.