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The Newsletter for **YOUR**
Community
Spring 2010

“Serving the Community for more than 20 years”

With much going on in the Community, ARECA urges you to read this newsletter and visit www.arena.info to stay current.

1. St. Margarets Church - Burnaby and Avenue Road - “SOLD” Another significant site on Avenue Road is up for redevelopment. ARECA has been assured by Councillor Stintz that the over-sized, 7 -storey structure now being constructed one block north will not be a precedent for an over-developed structure on this site.

2. Orchardview/Duplex - ARECA has been and continues to be a key player in this issue. Now there is another proposal for the site and ARECA once again is on top of it and participating in the Councillor’s “working group”. ARECA anticipates this to be a major issue as the developer is **currently proposing a 17-storey apartment building with 230 dwelling units!**

North York Community Council, Tuesday JUNE 22 at 2:00 (approx) will be discussing the request to amend the Zoning By-Law. Details are available at www.arena.info. Let Councillor Stintz know how you feel about this by contacting her at 416 392-4090, councillor_stintz@toronto.ca

3. Montgomery Avenue Apartment Proposal - The OMB (Ontario Municipal Board) decision regarding the Top of Trees development proposal to re-designate a section of Montgomery Avenue to an Apartment Neighbourhood did not rule in favour of the developer. ARECA continues to watch this area for what might be proposed next.

4. RioCan Light and Noise - ARECA continues to hear from residents that the RIOCAN sign atop their building is far too bright.

We “hear” that residents are bothered by the **excessive noise coming from the cooling units of these buildings**. With the cooling season now here, **we need to hear from you if this is an intrusion?**

Please share your thoughts and concerns via **email: information@areca.info**

Toronto Police Service has several ways for residents to stay informed in 53 Division by phone or email. <https://webapp1.torontopolice.on.ca/tpslinks/#for the phone system or for email, https://secure.torontopolice.on.ca/tpsml/>

5. 1066 Avenue Road - No doubt you have seen the large crane on the site of this future Seniors’ residence. While over-sized at 7-storeys, we are assured this is a one-off and to date, all seems smooth with the construction.

6. What Next near Yonge and Eglinton???

The ARECA Board recently met with representatives of a developer who wants to build at the North-East corner of Eglinton and Duplex. For this to be given approval, it will take a change in zoning as the height being discussed exceeds the existing allowance.

Given all the approvals in the Yonge-Eglinton area (Minto, Y-E Centre) ARECA thinks an approval might happen on this corner.

The Ontario Planning Act - Section 37 allows for “Community Benefits” paid by a Developer when given approval to construct something not normally permitted.

The ARECA Board asks for your suggestions!!!

In the event approval is granted to build as the Developer likes (or close to it) the ARECA Board would like to hear your ideas.

Examples of what Section 37 can or has done ... Heart Park (located at the Otter Crescent Loop TTC site) is to be paid for by Rio-Can for the complex at Avenue Road and Fairlawn; a North Toronto Museum is to be built at the Y-E Centre by Rio-Can for enclosing the public open space and adding height to the existing 2 buildings.

So ... what do you think? Let your imagination go and think community!

Please send your ideas to:
information@areca.info

Important Dates:

October 18/10 ARECA Annual General Meeting: Planned is an all-candidates meeting.

October 25/10: Municipal Election Day

With summer almost in full swing, it means construction time is upon us.
Concerned about noise from construction? Call Municipal Licensing & Standards - 416 395-7011
Have other concerns around construction sites? Call Building Inspection 416 395-7000

Many people in ARECA have been in the neighbourhood and involved for a long time.
We are creating a history of ARECA for the web site.
Please send your stories, recollections and remembrances to:
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