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St Margaret's Church Redevelopment Public Meeting April 2nd.

ARECA attended the Pre-hearing meeting at the OMB for the redevelopment of the St Margaret's Church site at Avenue Road and Burnaby. We continue to represent the community with respect to the many planning issues surrounding this site. The TTC has acquired the Macs Milk property immediately to the south. This will become part of the Eglinton LRT line and the station will be an important asset to the nearby neighbourhoods and businesses. We are meeting to discuss the matter with the North York Community Planning Department and ARECA has convened a public meeting for April 2nd at 7pm in the North Toronto Memorial Community Centre. Representatives from all the parties involved have been invited. ARECA will present its ideas for consideration by the Planning Department, the TTC and owners of the St Margaret's Church site.

Discussions with the owners of the Premium Properties site on the corner of Eglinton and Duplex continue. ARECA attended the Pre-hearing session at the OMB and submitted its Participant Statement. Known as the 'ARECA Statement', a plan to rejuvenate the public realm from North Toronto Collegiate to Marshall McLuhan Catholic Secondary has been embraced by the owner of Premium Properties. Once implemented, the plan would create a continuous street park along Roehampton, Orchardview, through Eglinton Park and ending up at Elwood and Avenue Road. Plans to improve the intersection of Orchardview Boulevard and Duplex are included.

Recent studies show that significant public safety and traffic issues persist along Orchardview. We are hopeful that sufficient funds will be generated to review and redress these issues. As intensification in the Official Plan-designated Growth Centre continues, ARECA believes the neighbourhoods around it are deserving of this kind of upgrading and improvement. The 'ARECA Statement' can be reviewed at this web location –www.http://bit.ly/FPLS15

The closing of Orchardview Blvd at Yonge will not happen this summer. ARECA hopes, should the project be revived in the future, that adequate community consultation and planning takes place beforehand.

ARECA is a volunteer community association representing the views of residents in matters that affect our community in North Toronto. ARECA represents the area bounded by Eglinton Avenue West, Yonge Street, Roselawn Avenue, Avenue Road, St Clements Avenue and Chaplin Road. If you live in the ARECA area please join your community

association. To join send a cheque for \$20 (\$10 seniors) for your 2012 membership, along with your name, address and phone number and email address to Avenue Road Eglinton Community Association, c/o Membership Secretary 23 Elwood Boulevard, Toronto M4R 1B8. Note if you wish to receive fax or email updates from ARECA please include these with your membership details or email us at information@areca.info.