

Summerhill Residents Association Priorities - 2022

The SRA board monitors neighbourhood issues as they arise. The board comments on development proposals, parks, traffic and any number of day to day concerns such as parking, road obstructions, and fun neighbourhood events like the Summerhill Fair. It also meets with other residents associations to discuss matters of common interest and liaises with our City Councillor and staff. The following outlines some current issues to keep you in the loop.

DEVELOPMENT

There are several large developments poised to begin construction which the SRA is monitoring. We have been most actively involved in 49 Jackes and Scrivener Square (monitoring dust and traffic now). The former Staples site has begun construction and the Sleep Country site will also be developed in the near future. The proposal for 1233 Yonge St. (SE corner of Woodlawn) will go public early this year. Another large development is coming to Yonge and Birch.

FONTRA

The SRA is a founding member of FONTRA, a federation of over 30 North Toronto Residents Associations lobbying on planning, the Committee of Adjustment, and transportation.

RAVINES

The SRA is a member of both the Midtown Ravines Group (stewardship to enhance ravine quality, cleanups) and the Vale of Avoca Working Group (developing a master plan for erosion control and park remediation in our ravine).

ROSEHILL RESERVOIR REHABILITATION PROJECT

The SRA is very pleased that the Little Park has finally reopened. The City has promised that the remainder of the park will be completed this Spring, 2022.

ACTIVE TO

The City installed pilot bike lanes on Yonge Street last June. They also approved expanded patios for restaurants as well as new parking spots. All of this has reduced 4 lanes of traffic to 2 lanes and created major disruption for abutting neighbourhoods. The issue has been very contentious. The City's Active TO Report will be completed this March, the recommendation will go to Council in April.

THE TTC

The TTC is upgrading the Summerhill station to make it accessible - scheduled to be completed by Dec. 2023. There have been ongoing road obstructions on Shaftesbury. The SRA is working with Councillor Layton's office to address residents' concerns as they arise and mitigate disruptions. The impact of traffic being reduced to only one eastbound lane on Shaftesbury has been felt by the entire neighbourhood.

For more information, visit the SRA website (summerhillresidentsassociation.ca) or contact Councillor Mike Layton (councillor_layton@toronto.ca).