



Partnership Committee Meeting – January 18, 2018
Item 6 – York Park & Philanthropic Opportunity
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Agenda Item	Item 6- York Park & Philanthropic Opportunity
Purpose	To update the Committee on a potential philanthropic opportunity being pursued jointly by WT and the City of Toronto Partnership Office.
Key Message	Early days. We are establishing a relationship with the interested donor with a view to advancing interest in the park opportunity and establishing the broader context/value of WT's public realm revitalization.
Areas of note/ Key issues	Our new <i>qualified donee</i> status means that WT could be the recipient of a capital philanthropic donation. Many details related to the <i>qualified donee</i> need to be established and confirmed.
Expected Outcome	Committee support for WT to proceed with discussions with the corporate entity regarding their interest in York Park.
Key Takeaways/ Next Steps	WT will pursue, with the City of Toronto, the interest expressed in York Park and will report back to the Committee in due course.



YORK STREET PARK

- Former site of the York Off-Ramp from the Eastbound Gardiner Expressway
- The ramp has been removed and the site reserved for parkland, to be designed & constructed from 2018-2021



PHILANTHROPIC OPPORTUNITY

- The City of Toronto and Waterfront Toronto have been approached by a private donor located on the Waterfront.
- The donor would like to support the development of York Street Park.
- Waterfront Toronto has had ongoing meetings with City of Toronto Office of Partnerships.
- Waterfront Toronto and the City are aligned in an approach to begin a relationship with a potential donor.



PROCUREMENT

- Waterfront Toronto is launching a procurement that will include both York Street Park and Rees Street Park in collaboration with the City of Toronto Parks, Forestry & Recreation Division.
- A thorough public consultation and engagement process will be launched on January 22nd.
- Potential donor will be invited by Waterfront Toronto and the City to be on the stakeholder committee that will be convened to provide input for the design process.