

SAHRA Information – April 9, 2018

Toronto Aviation Noise Group (TANG) Open House

It has been six years since T.A.N.G. began their advocacy on the issue of aircraft noise in our neighbourhoods and they are still at it! There have been countless meetings with elected officials at all levels and a number of independent studies, third party reviews and consultations initiated by NAV CANADA and the GTAA. TANG has been a respected, full time participant at all these events and continues to lend its voice on your behalf for a fair, balanced approach to flight path routes and airspace implementations.

They are pleased to inform you that a number of the “technical” initiatives we proposed have been successfully studied and will soon be implemented. Some include a retrofit (installation of a vortex generator) of noisy aircraft, some changes to increase aircraft altitudes on arrival and a new route for restricted hours (12:30am to 6:29am) flights. They welcome these positive changes.

What remains unresolved is the disproportionate utilization of runways at Pearson Airport. Our communities, affected by airspace changes in 2012, still account for 40 percent of all arrivals! Recently published data from the GTAA indicate that our current, annual flights of 88,000 flights (2017) will grow to over 120,000 because of projected growth plans at Pearson.

On the evening of **April 12, 2018 at 7:00** the GTAA will be hosting a Community Open House at the Leaside Gardens (William Lea Tea Room) to discuss their airport operations and noise abatement initiatives. The “come and go” format allows residents to get answers to their questions without having to sit through a long presentation they don’t understand. It is crucial that a large number of residents attend this event as a demonstration of our communities support of TANG and the aviation noise issue. Numbers mean everything at this point of our advocacy. Our elected officials have been invited to attend.

Please see the link below for more information about the public meetings and how to register for the event. If you can’t attend the event we encourage you to fill out the online survey.

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2018 Annual General Meeting

Will be held on **Wed, April 11 7:00-8:00 pm** at Armour Heights Presbyterian Church, 105 Wilson Ave. Please join us!

Notice of Motion to be presented at the Annual General Meeting

A proposal will be submitted at the April 11, 2018 Annual General Meeting to amend the Constitution for Meetings.

The fiscal year was set as the period from Jan 1 to Dec 31 (as opposed to the original definition of May 1 to April 20th) at the AGM on June 15, 2005. At that time a motion was also approved to require that the AGM be held within sixty (60) days of the fiscal year (as opposed to the original definition of 30 days).

For various reasons (completion of the Financial Statements, the Corporate Return and receipt of the Acceptance Notice, the membership campaign, timing of the release of the Winter Newsletter, the weather conditions, March Break absences, etc.), since 2009 the Board has scheduled the Annual meeting in the month of April. The Board would therefore wishes to amend the Constitution to require that the Annual member meeting be held within 120 days of the fiscal year end (Dec 31).

The motion is to amend the second paragraph of Article VII – MEETINGS:

Current Statement:

The Annual meeting of the members shall be held at such time and place as the Board of Directors determine, but must be within thirty (60) days of the fiscal year-end. Members shall be notified at least seven days prior to the meeting.

Proposed Statement:

The Annual meeting of the members shall be held at such time and place as the Board of Directors determine, but must be within one hundred and twenty (120) days of the fiscal year-end. Members shall be notified at least seven days prior to the meeting.

Solid Waste Management – Policy for Accepting New Materials

Solid Waste Management Services is seeking feedback on a Draft Policy for Accepting New Materials into City of Toronto Waste Diversion Streams (e.g. Blue Bin recycling and Green Bin organics). [Visit the Waste Strategy website](#) to read a copy of the draft policy, or view presentation slides and watch a recording of the March 21 public meeting about the new policy.

Deadline to provide feedback via [online survey](#) is: **April 16, 2018**. Comments can also be sent via email.

Contact: Robyn Shyllit, Senior Public Consultation Coordinator, 416-392-3358, robyn.shyllit@toronto.ca

250 Lawrence Ave West fundraising

The developer submitted revised plans on Feb 21, 2018 but it is still too tall (10 storeys/30 metres) and does not meet the 45 degree angular plane requirements on the east side, which faces the residential area. It is important that the Residents' Associations (LPRO/OOGRA and SAHRA) defend Lawrence Avenue and Avenue Road at the OMB Hearing on May 22. Based on fundraising to date, we have engaged a Lawyer. We are now fundraising to retain a Planner. It is essential that we have this type of professional expertise! We need your financial support – please go to <https://lpro.wordpress.com> and select “250 Lawrence” for information on how donate via a cheque or via PayPal.

Attendance at OMB Hearing on May 22 to June 1

So that the OMB Panel Member appreciates the concern that our Community has for the proposed development at 250 Lawrence Ave West it will be important that Residents attend the OMB hearing which is scheduled to run for 9 days from **May 22 to June 1**. It will be especially important that as many Residents as possible attend the May 22 session. If you are able to volunteer your time to attend the

Hearing on May 22 and/or any subsequent days, please contact Linda McCarthy at lyttonparkresidentsorg@gmail.com to sign up and to obtain details.

Fairlawn United Church Book Sale (April 26-28)

A huge selection of gently used books, CDs and DVDs will be available April 26 - 28 at Fairlawn Avenue United Church. Details: **Apr 26, 6-9 pm; Apr 27, 12-9 pm; Apr 28, 10am - 1 pm**. The church is located at 28 Fairlawn Avenue, five blocks north of Lawrence Ave. just west of Yonge St. For more information, visit our website at www.fairlawnchurch.ca/booksale or call **416-481-6848**. See Poster attached.

Armour Heights Presbyterian Church Rummage Sale (April 28)

There will be a Rummage Sale happening at Armour Heights Presbyterian Church located at 105 Wilson Avenue on **Saturday, April 28 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm**. Includes linens, collectibles, art, housewares, electronic items, furniture, toys, books, records, sports equipment, accessories & jewellery.

2018 Neighbours' Night Out

Is scheduled for **Tues, June 19th 6:30-8:00 pm** outside 2 Haddington Avenue.
Reserve the date!

Councillor Jaye Robinson's Ward 25 Crime and Safety Meeting

More than 300 residents gathered at the Lawrence Park Community Church in February to voice their concerns to the TPS officials in attendance, including Chief Mark Saunders, Superintendent Rob Johnson, of the 32 and 33 Division, and senior officials from the 53 Division.

Chief Saunders highlighted the new strategy to modernize policing in the City of Toronto. For example, TPS division boundaries are currently being reconfigured to align with neighbourhoods and streamline resources. In Ward 25, the divisions bordering Bayview Avenue will be consolidated to better serve the community.

The overarching concern expression by the neighbours during the concluding question period was the high number of break-and-enters in Ward 25. In response, TPS officials suggested several preventative tips and strategies, including:

- Make your home look "lived in" while you are away for an extended period of time by:
 - Arranging for a neighbour to park in your empty driveway
 - Using timers to maintain normal lighting patterns
 - Temporarily halting mail delivery
 - Asking a neighbour to put a garbage bin in front of your house on collection day
- Contact your respective divisional Crime Prevention Officers for assistance in developing a customized home security strategy.

Above all, the TPS representatives emphasized the importance of community cooperation and reiterated their commitment to proactive policing in our neighbourhoods. You should report any suspicious activity you observe, as the police use reporting data to direct resources.

Community Environment Days

The local Councillors will be hosting the annual Community Environment Days. The Councillors Carmichael Greb and Matlow events will take place in the parking lot of North Toronto Memorial Arena (174 Orchard View Blvd). Councillor Robinson's event will take place at York Mills Collegiate. You can drop off unwanted art supplies, books, toys, and used sports equipment. Facilities will be available to dispose of computers and other hazardous household waste, or to replace your damaged green bin.

- Sponsored by Councillor Christin Carmichael Greb, Ward 16 on **Tuesday, June 19 4:00-8:00 pm** at the NTMA
- Sponsored by Councillor Josh Matlow, Ward 22 on **Thursday, May 31 4:00-8:00 pm** at the NTMA
- Sponsored by Councillor Jaye Robinson, Ward 25 on **Saturday, May 5 10:00 am-2:00 pm** (York Mills Collegiate, 490 York Mills Road)

17th Annual Community Stewardship Program

The Community Stewardship Program gives residents the opportunity to learn about Toronto's ravines and how they're managed with hands-on activities to keep these places healthy. Volunteers, led by experienced City staff, meet weekly from May – September to plant native trees, shrubs, and wildflowers, remove invasive species (a leading cause of biodiversity loss), maintain sustainable trails, and monitor site conditions through citizen science. I welcome volunteers to attend the volunteer orientation on **Wednesday April 25th, from 7:00pm-8:30pm** at the City of Toronto Archives. Email greentoronto@toronto.ca to RSVP and to learn more!

SAHRA Needs Help

An important request to SAHRA residents – we need additional Board Members and/or Volunteers to keep handling the many issues we are facing. Some of the areas we need help with are: management of membership information, eBlast preparation, website content updates, Newsletter preparation, follow-up on Neighbourhood issues, special deliveries to houses in our area and street communications. Please consider joining your SAHRA Board or volunteering for a specific task of interest to you so that these important activities can continue. Please call us at 416-485-6718 or email sahratoronto@rogers.com.

SAHRA 2018 Membership Campaign

We need your financial support! Membership contributions are SAHRA's only source of income to support newsletters, hearing costs, Neighbours' Night Out, etc. In 2017, our reserve was partially depleted by engaging a planner and a lawyer which led to a positive outcome at the TLAB in support of the two-storey maximum bylaw. Future ability to participate in this way or to seek professional advice will depend on rebuilding the reserve fund over the next several years. Please support your residents' association with your annual contribution.

We have on-line payment capability on our website or you can mail a cheque to the SAHRA post office box (1500 Avenue Road, PO Box 1373, Toronto, ON M5H 0A1) or drop it off at 118 or 123 Felbrigg Avenue. See the attached Membership Form for details.

You can send in a cheque or you can contribute via PayPal or a credit/debit card

For PayPal or credit/debit payment go to the website <http://sahratoronto.com/membership/> to the Membership page