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Dear Colleagues,

As discussed during last Tuesday's CPSC meeting, the \$374,210 request for private security funding is of particular concern due to the monumental safety and security problems faced by the neighbours (residential, business and non-profit/charities) surrounding 602 Queens Ave. These concerns include recurring vandalism and daily clean up costs along with safety/security concerns of volunteers, patrons, local residents, tourists, high school students, etc. such that many are seriously considering leaving the area.

We are requesting your support for the following amendment to 2.3 which refers this back to staff to explore the security concerns and come back with a list of options to address the issue with a whole of community lens that creates good neighbour relations.

2.3 b) That the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to provide a report to a future Community and Protective Services Committee (CPSC) to identify options and the associated costs to address the safety and security concerns expressed above as well as the safety and security concerns of the agencies' staff, volunteers and those accessing services.

Sincerely,

Susan Stevenson Councillor, Ward 4 Jerry Pribil Councillor, Ward 5