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Councillor Josh Colle
Chair, Toronto Transit Commission

**Submitted by TTC Chair J. Colle
On behalf of Councillor McMahon**

Dear Chair Colle,

Re: Status and Future of the Danforth Garage, 1627 Danforth Ave.

The TTC bus garage at the corner of Danforth Avenue and Coxwell Avenue (1627 Danforth Ave.) has a long history of providing transit in the east end of the city. Originally constructed in 1915, the carhouse began as a streetcar garage for the now defunct Danforth and Coxwell streetcar lines. Following construction of the Bloor-Danforth Subway the site was repurposed as a bus garage. Today, the Danforth Garage no longer services buses or streetcars, rather the 5 acre site houses offices and storage.

The Danforth Garage occupies a prominent corner in the East Danforth area. Rejuvenation of this site has the potential to transform the surrounding community. The local community is eager to know what activities are taking place at the site and when it will be declared surplus.

Recommendation:

That the Chief Executive Officer of the Toronto Transit Commission report to the September 28th, 2016 meeting of the TTC Board on the Danforth Garage (1627 Danforth Ave.) with regards to:

- *TTC activities currently performed on the site;*
- *Percentage of the site which is actively used;*
- *Number of TTC staff based at site;*
- *Other TTC properties that could house the activities currently performed at the site,*
- *Information regarding the environmental condition of the site, and,*
- *Projected date for the property to be declared surplus.*

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