



Toronto Housing & Homelessness Service System Planning Forum

November 16 2022

Land Acknowledgement

Toronto is on Anishnabeg, Chippewa, Haudenosaunee, and Wendat territory, and is currently home to diverse indigenous peoples from across Turtle Island. The land itself is Dish with One Spoon territory and is part of the Two Row Wampum rooted in sharing and caring for the land in collaborative community.

AGENDA

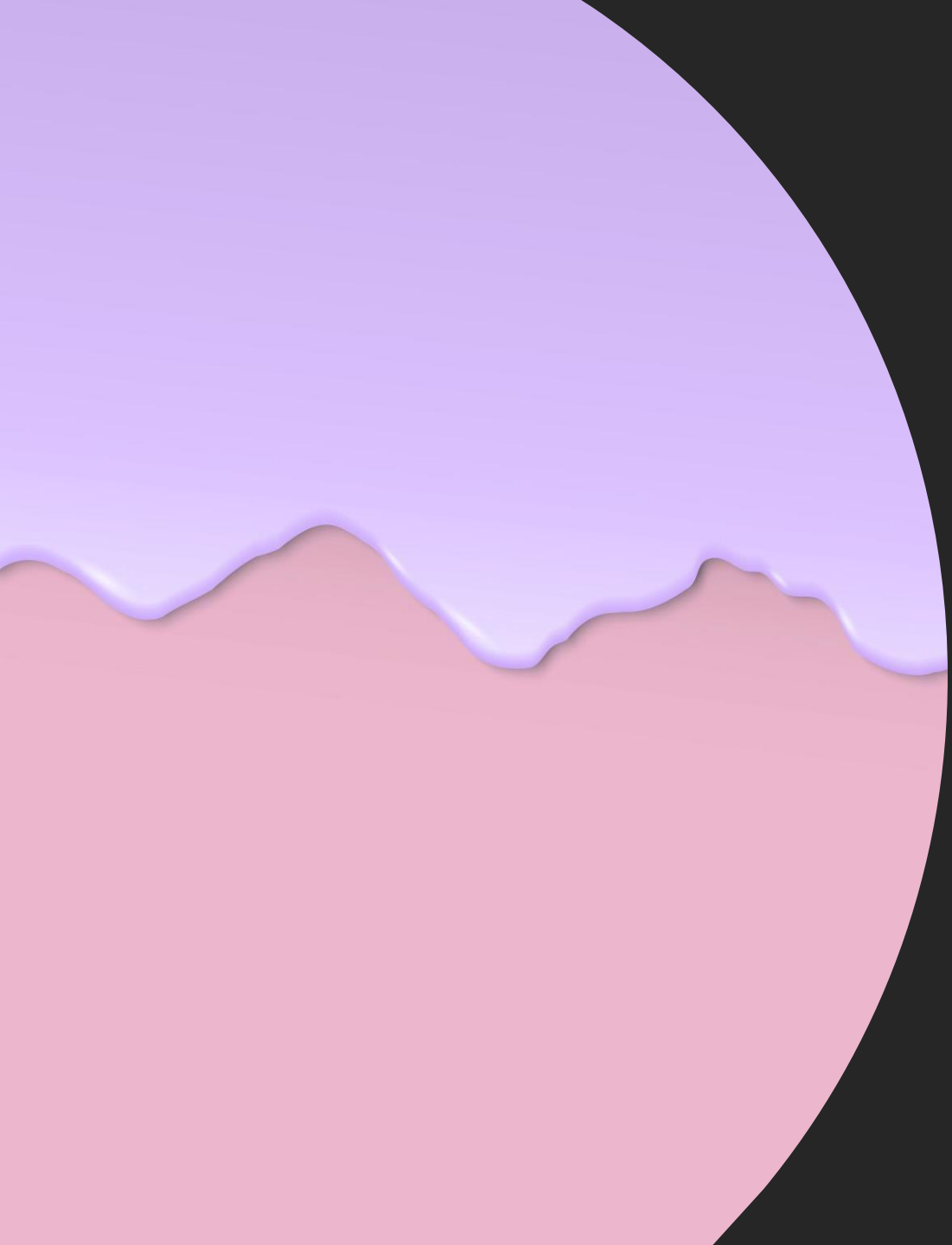
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10:00	Introduction and Housekeeping <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda review
10:05	Land Recognition
10:10	SSHA Items and Updates (15 Minutes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022/2023 Winter Services Plan, Gord Tanner, General Manager, SSHA
10:25	Housing Secretariat Items and Updates (25 Minutes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outcomes from the Open Funding Call, Don Nichols, Grants Manager, Housing Secretariat
10:50	Confronting Anti-Black Racism (25 Minutes) Presentation on SSHA's work on confronting anti-Black Racism <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roger Thompson - CABR Lead • Karima Kinlock-Quamina - Business Analyst, CABR, SSHA
11:15	Working for Change (25 Minutes) Centring Anti-Oppression and Lived Experience <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anita Prasad - Executive Director, Working for Change
11:40	TAEH Updates (10 Minutes) Issues with Bill 23: How the New Homes, Built Faster Bill poses a risk to affordability
11:45	Other business/close



Item 2: SSHA Items and Updates

2022/2023 Winter Services Plan,

- Gord Tanner, General Manager, SSHA
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*Item 3:
Housing
Secretariat Items
and Updates –
Outcomes from the
Open Funding Call*

Don Nichols, Grants
Manager, Housing
Secretariat

Item 4: Confronting Anti-Black Racism



Presentation on SSHA's work on confronting Anti-Black racism

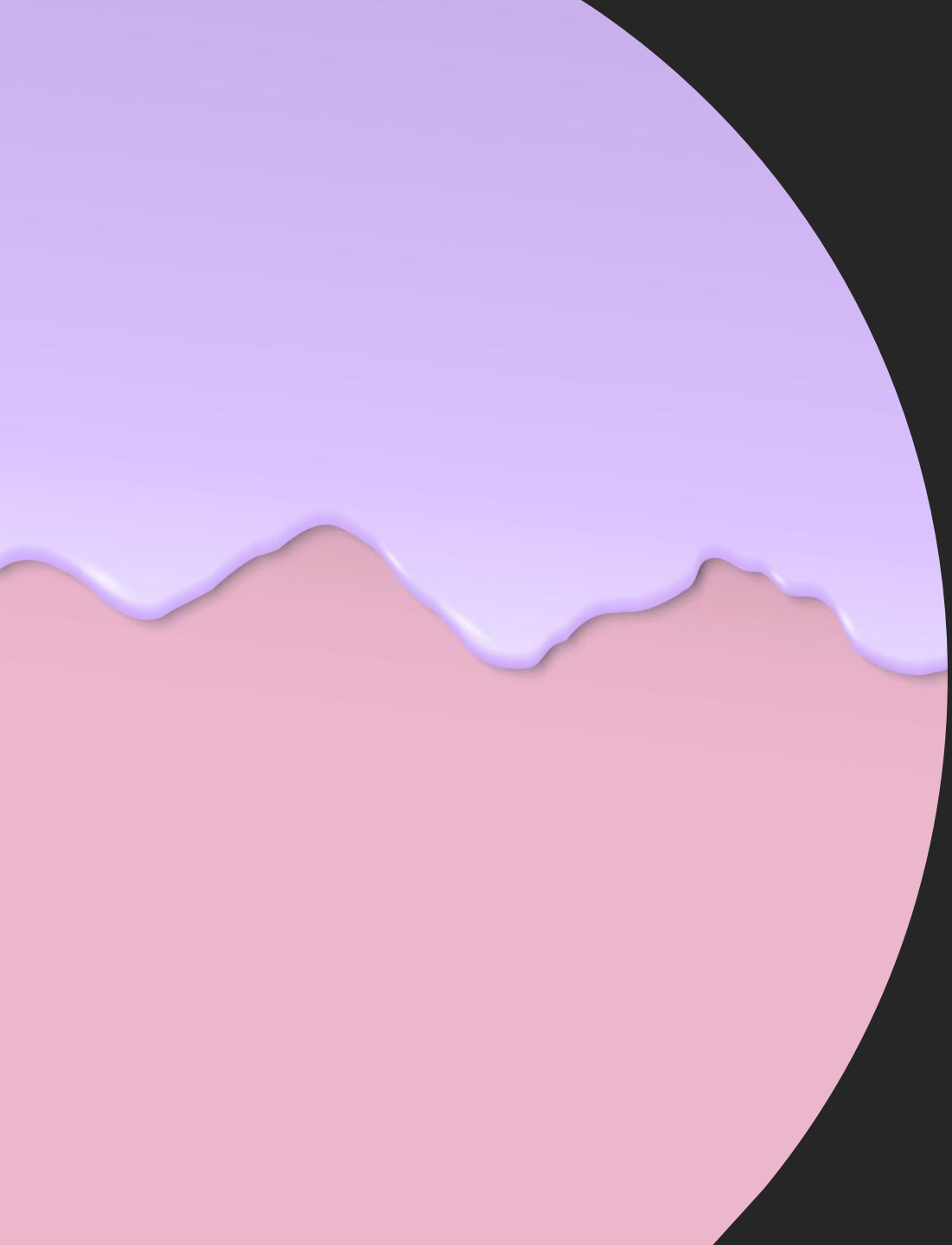
Roger Thompson – CABR Lead

Karima Kinlock-Quamina – Business Analyst,
CABR & SSHA



Item 5: Centring Anti- Oppression and Lived Experience

- Presentation from Working For Change
- Anita Prassad, Executive Director



Item 3:
TAEH Updates

Savhanna J Wilson,
Associate Director, TAEH

TAEH Municipal Election Plan Report

Along with Mayor Tory, the following **new** Councillors have signed the TAEH Pledge to End Homelessness:

1. **Amber Morley** (Ward 3)
2. **Alejandra Bravo** (Ward 9)
3. **Ausma Malik** (Ward 10)
4. **Chris Moise** (Ward 13)
5. **Jamaal Myers** (Ward 23)

And returning Councillors:

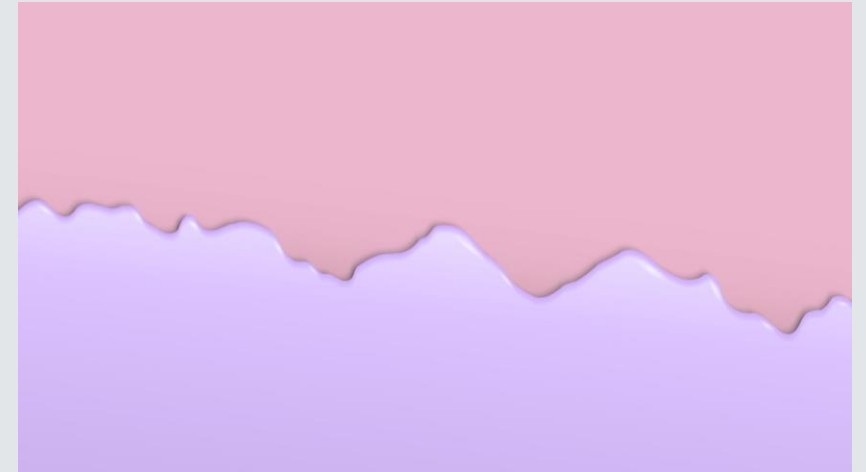
1. **Gord Perks** (Ward 4)
2. **Paula Fletcher** (Ward 14)
3. **Shelley Carrol** (Ward 17)
4. **Brad Bradford** (Ward 19)
5. **Michael Thompson** (Ward 21)

The Mayor along with 10 City Council Members have committed to:

1. Making ending homelessness through housing solutions a top City priority in the coming term.
2. Setting a minimum housing access target for people experiencing homelessness.
3. Increasing financial resources to making homelessness rare, brief, and non-recurring through the establishment of a dedicated fund.
4. Ensuring that 30% of all targets and resources are allocated to For Indigenous, By Indigenous housing strategies.
5. Creating a new Advisory Committee on ending homelessness.
6. Developing a Toronto Ending Homelessness Plan.

New Homes, Built Faster: Potentialities

- Exemptions for nonprofit and affordable housing developers from charges will offset costs for affordable units.
- Permitting new residential units as-of-right on privately owned residential lots previously zoned for one home could add to the affordable housing stock.



Concerns

- **Cut funding to municipal affordable housing programs**, drastically reducing the amount that municipalities will be able to invest into new housing programs and disrupting existing developments that are underway;
- **Reduce both the amount of affordable housing that new developments are required to provide** as well as the affordability period by capping the limit of affordable new units at 5%, and the affordability period at only 25 years;
- **Undermine programs that protect existing affordable housing**, posing a threat to the existing affordable housing stock across the province;
- **Shift taxes from developers onto ordinary households** by cutting developer taxes, eliminating access to a crucial income stream for infrastructure in municipalities whose only other option would be to significantly raise property taxes in the coming years; and
- **Eliminate requirements for site plan control**, including minimum unit sizes, which will result in unreasonably small apartments and an overall reduced quality of life within many new builds.

What can you do?

Without amendments, this bill will not create any real net new affordable housing in Ontario. And there's still time to demand revisions of Bill 23.

TAEH is joining the call for the provincial government to address the growing concerns that Bill 23, as it is written, will erode the work that has been done to address homelessness over the past decade, and **will only make Ontario less and less affordable, threatening the possibility of a future without homelessness.**

- Read the [Backgrounder on Bill 23](#) to support your learning, and the [joint Letter to the Ontario Government](#).
- Please consider adding your voice to this letter here: <https://bit.ly/SignBill23Letter>



Item 6: Emerging Priorities

- ***What are some topics you would like to see addressed at the Toronto Housing and Homelessness Service Planning Forum?***



Other Business
