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Provincially mediated phase two negotiations set to resume

The provincially mediated negotiations for phase two of Cadillac Fairview's Don Mills Centre redevelopment application will resume at the beginning of February. As one of the parties to these negotiations, our efforts are focused on the following points:

- 1) Lowering the height and density of the condominiums in accordance with the Secondary Plan;
- 2) Continuing to push for a solution regarding the medical services currently offered at 75 The Donway West;
- 3) The question of accessibility of the community centre for residents;
- 4) The question of parkland for the community;
- 5) Finding a workable solution for the arena question.

Contrary to assertions by those who claimed that the community centre for Don Mills had been "killed," it is still very much on the negotiations table, as Councillor Minnan-Wong, at his public meeting, had clearly stated it would be. In this respect, the experience of a Don Mills resident who enquired about a condominium in one of the buildings of the planned "Residences at Don Mills" may be of interest. The resident was told that there would be a fitness room and a party room in the building, but no swimming pool; instead, there would be a community centre with a pool that would either be run on a shared basis or as a club membership.

This shows that Cadillac Fairview would be counting on the community centre at least as much as the residents are. It also confirms that our concerns about accessibility of the community centre for all Don Mills residents are warranted.

Below are a couple of links to recent media releases:

[Key Store Lost to Shops at Don Mills](#), Bayview-Mills Town Crier, January 19

[Arena, Community Centre Is Possible for Don Mills](#), North York Mirror, January 15

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