



January 16, 2018

Councillor Jaye Robinson, Chair, and  
Members of the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee  
c/o City of Toronto Secretariat  
10<sup>th</sup> Floor, West Tower, City Hall  
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Dear Chair Robinson and members of PWIC:

**Re: Staff report on “Preparing the City of Toronto for Automated Vehicles”**

On behalf of the Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario (RCCAO), I look forward to making a short deputation and showing a 2.5-minute animated YouTube video that our non-profit group produced to illustrate the role that governments could play in influencing the rollout of these new technologies.

The first report, [“Ontario Must Prepare for Vehicle Automation: Automated vehicles can influence urban form, congestion and infrastructure delivery.”](#) was released in October 2016 and was lauded in a [Macleans Magazine editorial in November 2016](#).

The second report, [“Ontario Must Prepare for Vehicle Automation, Part 2: How Skilled Governance Can Influence its Outcome.”](#) was released in October 2017 along with an [animated video](#) to help amplify the report’s message.

That later led to good media coverage, including [an op-ed written by report author and systems engineer Bern Grush for the Toronto Star](#) in November 2017.

Because of this leading-edge research, Mr. Grush was named the [Toronto Star Wheels section’s Newsmaker of the Year for 2017](#).

OTHER RELEVANT LINKS:

- [ReNew Canada magazine, March/April 2017](#)
- [ReNew Canada magazine, January/February 2018](#)

Sincerely,

Andy Manahan,  
Executive Director  
RCCAO