

Insurance Travel Roadside Rewards IE6.8.12

## Submitted by email

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City Clerk's Office Toronto City Hall 100 Queen Street West 10FL West Tower Toronto, Ontario M5H 2N2

Dear Mayor Tory and Members of Toronto City Council,

## Re: IE6.8 – Vision Zero 2.0 – Road Safety Plan Update

On behalf of CAA South Central Ontario (CAA), I am writing to provide comments regarding the City of Toronto's Vision Zero 2.0 Road Safety Plan Update.

CAA supports the City of Toronto's continued commitment toward making our streets safer for all road users, regardless of their chosen mode of transportation. As you know, CAA was involved in creating the original Toronto Vision Zero Road Safety Plan in 2016, and continues to monitor the proposals and developments at City Hall. The original efforts had identified CAA's long standing road safety program, the CAA School Safety Patrol (SSP) Program, as an important initiative for schools and road safety professionals to consider when thinking about school zone safety. Later this fall, CAA's SSP Program will be celebrating its 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary in keeping children safe during their commute to school.

While CAA recognizes that speed is a factor on our roadways, we believe in the need for greater public education, increased penalties against violators, and further enforcement efforts by the Toronto Police Service. CAA encourages the City to continue looking at data-driven statistics to determine locations that best meet requirements for initiatives like speed management and road design improvements. All potential options should be considered prior to making a decision, as altering the speed and/or condition of a roadway may have unintended consequences for neighboring streets and local communities.

CAA continues to work with municipalities across Ontario, the provincial government, police services and relevant stakeholders to address and enhance road safety. CAA will continue to advocate for a more accessible, efficient and reliable transportation network across the City of Toronto and we welcome the opportunity to provide further feedback on future proposals.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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