

## **MM10.15 – Multiple Communications from 8 individuals, with the subject line: "[MM10.15] Three Asks to Make Midtown Street Safer"**

(Current to 8:45 am on Wednesday, October 2, 2019.)

### **Communications similar to the following text:**

"Dear Mayor Tory and Representatives of Midtown Toronto,

In the wake of the recent senseless and entirely preventable [death of a pedestrian just north of Eglinton and Yonge](#), I'm writing with the utmost urgency to ask that you move immediately to make street safety a priority. The following three asks involve all levels of government and comprise concrete steps that will place our city's safety standards on par with those of other world class cities:

**1. Build safer streets:** Put safety concerns at the forefront of street design on new and existing street plans, following [New York City's lead](#).

We ask for:

- a) A study and implementation of a "complete streets" approach to Yonge St and a review of street safety on connecting side streets.**
- b) Fully funded and accelerated construction of the safer Eglinton Connects streetscape.**

**2. Increase enforcement:** Increase use of automated enforcement tools and channel revenue from traffic fines to municipalities that do the enforcement, [like in New York](#) and [Vancouver](#).

We ask for:

- a) Effective immediately, triple the number of traffic police/traffic wardens enforcing traffic laws.**
- b) Increased automated enforcement, including more red light cameras, automated speeding cameras, and higher penalties.**
- c) Redirection of traffic fine revenue from the province to the municipalities who do the enforcement.**

**3. Require safer vehicles:** Mandate the installation of safety features on vehicles and trucks, specifically truck side guards, cameras, and high visibility cabs, [like in London](#).

We ask for:

- a) A ban on unsafe heavy vehicles in Toronto, only permitting modern safe vehicles.**
- b) Safety features designed to protect vulnerable road users as the required standard for all vehicles.**

As a Midtown resident who supports cycling, walking, and other sustainable modes of transportation, I believe that the three asks outlined above are not only reasonable but essential. Please honour your obligation to the Midtown community and do everything in your power to keep cyclists, pedestrians, and motorists safe as they move through our streets.

Sincerely, "

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