To the City Clerk:

Please add my comments to the agenda for the December 1, 2020 Infrastructure and Environment Committee meeting on item 2020.IE18.1, North York Centre - REimagining Yonge (Sheppard to Finch) Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study

I understand that my comments and the personal information in this email will form part of the public record and that my name will be listed as a correspondent on agendas and minutes of City Council or its committees. Also, I understand that agendas and minutes are posted online and my name may be indexed by search engines like Google.

Comments:

Dear IEC Committee Members, I very much hope you will **support the Transform Yonge** option.

I urge you to support Transform Yonge for two main reasons:

First, Transform will be popular with Torontonians. Polling done by EKOS Research in September 2020 found that, overall, 84 per cent of Toronto residents support the project. Interestingly, among people who rely on the car, support stands at 76 per cent. So among your constituents, Transform enjoys widespread backing.

Second, the project will promote health and safety. As you know, Toronto Public Health identifies Transform as the preferred option. As well, the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario — which has 46,000 members — supports the project, as does Doctors for Safe Cycling.

Our health professionals are saying that if we want safer roadways, if we want more physical fitness, if we want to reduce air pollution, we need projects like Transform Yonge. And if ever there were a time to listen to our nurses and doctors, it's now.

Thank you. Yours, Gideon Forman Climate Change and Transportation Policy Analyst The David Suzuki Foundation