

From: Justin Hane
To: Etobicoke Community Council
Date: 2/2/2012 3:01 pm
Subject: Fwd: EY13.22
Attachments: Traffic signal at Steeles and Gihon Spring Drive; First let me thank you for your quick response to my phone call to you.; Traffic Signal at Steeles and Gihon Spring Drive; Traffic signal; traffic light proposal on Steeles; RE: Traffic Signal at Steeles Avenue West & Gihon Springs Drive; taverner_steeles_gihon_151111.pdf

Dear Rosemary,

Kindly include the attached correspondence to be considered with Ey13.22.

Thanks,

Justin

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Etobicoke Community Council - Traffic signal at Steeles and Gihon Spring Drive

From: "Sandy Singh" <SandyS@harkeloffice.com>
To: <councillor_crisanti@toronto.ca>
Date: 2/1/2012 5:57 PM
Subject: Traffic signal at Steeles and Gihon Spring Drive

Dear Mr. Vincent,
We really need a traffic signal at Steeles Ave and Gihon Spring drive. This will be very helpful.

Thank you,

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Etobicoke Community Council - First let me thank you for your quick response to my phone call to you.

From: Nick Varano <varano1962@rogers.com>
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Date: 1/31/2012 7:56 PM
Subject: First let me thank you for your quick response to my phone call to you.

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Thanks

We spoke about the traffic light at Gihon Sping Drive and Steeles Ave.
That intersection is a main Exit for the residents of the area.
Just like Gihon Sping Drive and Martin Grove Rd. is a main Exit for area
residents. Also Kidron Valley Drive and Kipling Ave. is a main Exit for area
resident. These last two intersections that I mention both have traffic signals.
They also have crossing guards at certain times of the day.

So I guess the question I'm asking is when will this happen?

At Gihon Sping and Steeles cars have lost control and gone into residents
backyards, broken through fences and hit trees in these backyard.

Does a death have to happen before the light is installed?

How quickly would lights go up in another ward?

Just asking

Get this issues in other councillors faces and do the right thing.

Get us our traffic signal

Thank you again Councillor Crisanti

Nick Varano
Concerned resident

Etobicoke Community Council - Traffic Signal at Steeles and Gihon Spring Drive

From: Domenica Luisi <domenicaluisi@yahoo.ca>
To: "councillor_crisanti@toronto.ca" <councillor_crisanti@toronto.ca>
Date: 1/30/2012 10:23 PM
Subject: Traffic Signal at Steeles and Gihon Spring Drive

Dear Councillor Crisanti:

I recently received your notice regarding the above traffic signal. I have been living on Minglehaze Dr. for 30 years now and take public transportation. It often takes me 10 minutes to cross the street after I have stepped off the Steeles West bus. It is a very dangerous street to cross especially during rush hour and when the weather is bad, it take longer. There are many seniors in the area and a lot of them can't cross the street without help. We desperately need a traffic signal or a crosswalk to get from the north to the south side of Steeles Avenue. I have been hoping that this will happen soon before a major accident happens or someone gets killed.

I won't be able to make the meeting, but I am hoping that you will show this email to your head of Transportation Services. There are a lot of people who, for various reasons, are not able to make the meeting but I am sure that if you have them sign a petition, they would be will to do so.

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Etobicoke Community Council - Traffic signal

From: Sarojini Theiventhiran <sarojinithe@yahoo.ca>
To: <councillor_crisanti@toronto.ca>
Date: 1/27/2012 3:21 PM
Subject: Traffic signal

Re: the proposed traffic signal at the Steeles Av.-Gihon Springs Dr. intersection, I fully support the idea. As a resident of the neighbourhood, I feel that a traffic signal there is a very good proposal & is absolutely necessary for people living south of Steeles who want to cross over to the north side with ease. Thank you & I hope the idea bears fruition soon.
Saro jini Theiventhiran.

Etobicoke Community Council - traffic light proposal on Steeles

From: Victoria Tran <vtvt28@yahoo.ca>
To: "councillor_crisanti@toronto.ca" <councillor_crisanti@toronto.ca>
Date: 1/27/2012 2:52 PM
Subject: traffic light proposal on Steeles

Dear Councillor Crisanti,

My name is Victoria and I have lived at Steeles and Gihon Springs for more than 10 years. I grew up here, and is now an adult ready to graduate from York University where I cross Steeles Ave and Gihon Springs often to get home from the bus stop. I also drive on Steeles and find that the traffic on Steeles can be congested. To put a traffic light at Gihon Springs would make traffic even worse. At times there will be a broken bus at Islington and Steeles where cars are trapped, and putting a traffic light at Gihon Springs will make the congestion even worse for drivers.

As I am a pedestrian, I agree that several people cross Steeles and are at risk of being hit by a car. Thank goodness there is a median there. However, I propose you install a pedestrian crossing light instead of a traffic light. It makes more sense. If there are no cars at Gihon Springs or at the retirement home, why stop traffic? Steeles is pretty busy. As a pedestrian, it would be nice to have safety and time to cross Steeles, as a driver and a resident, a traffic light might just make traffic worse.

Thankyou,

Victoria Tran

Etobicoke Community Council - RE: Traffic Signal at Steeles Avenue West & Gihon Springs Drive

From: Mitesh Patel <patelm35@gmail.com>
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Date: 1/27/2012 10:32 AM
Subject: RE: Traffic Signal at Steeles Avenue West & Gihon Springs Drive

Hello Mr. Crisanti

I am writing to you after receiving your letter in regards to putting strict enforcement to have traffic lights set up at the intersection of Steeles Avenue & Gihon Springs. Over 20 years being in the Etobicoke North Community, I drive at the intersection everyday, waiting numerous time and taking caution turning left at the intersection. Steeles gets busy at times, many people cross at the intersection because of the short catwalks that lead residents to major roads. It is important to have my voice heard and im sure a lot of residents of Etobicoke are writing to you. **WE NEED A TRAFFIC LIGHT PLACED** to prevent any injuries, and safe driving. The last thing Toronto will do is continue without a traffic light, saying its not necessary and within the budget, not a high traffic intersection. Well this is wrong, the last thing the Etobicoke North Community wants is a death and them to realize from the mistakes. Coming from experience, we definately need a Traffic Light! Comeon, Steeles is a very busy road overall: ongoing movement of TRUCKS, thats right TRUCKS and cars keep moving, LETS make it a safe place and **ACT BEFORE ITS TOO LATE**.Below is a few factors I came up with that gives you my 100% support why we should enforce traffic lights at the Steeles Avenue and Gihon Springs Drive intersection.

Factors that will influence enforcing Traffic Lights:

1. Weather conditions, wet, slippery can cause major accidents - when no light is present, very dangerous
2. Control the flow of traffic, makes it easier for drivers and SAFER for pedestrians
3. Reduce the risk of accidents and lower the chances of traffic jams etc.

I hope you can forward this and make sure that we can get this ASAP. Thank you.

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November 2, 2011

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Councillor Crisanti,

Further to our discussion concerning the intersection of Gihon Springs and Steeles Ave West, we would like to state our position with regards to a signalized intersection at that location.

We are in 100% support of moving forward with having traffic lights installed for the following reasons:

1. Excessive speeds on Steeles Ave. West both east and west is an everyday occurrence which we have deployed radar to address, but the problem continues. The installation of a signalized intersection at this location would deter speeding and have a positive safety impact.
2. The traffic signals would allow a safer access from Gihon Springs to Steeles Ave. West. This would have a positive impact on reducing collisions at this location.
3. Pedestrian safety is of great concern at this location. There are bus stops on both sides of Steeles Ave. West with no way for pedestrians to cross safely. Traffic signals would greatly enhance pedestrian crossing at this location.

So far in 2011, 11 collisions have taken place at this intersection, which would indicate a serious issue to be dealt with. Police radar has indicated speeds along Steeles Ave. West,

in this area speeds have reached over 90 kilometres an hour. Traffic signals at his location would assist with public safety issues and should be addressed.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'R' followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

**Ron Taverner
Superintendent
No. 23 Division**

RT:mr