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Toronto, ON M2N 5V7 10th floor, West Tower, City Hall  
Attention: Francine Adamo, Committee Administrator, NYCC

RE: NY 24.11 Request for Leaside Area-Wide Traffic Study

Dear Chair and Community Council Members

Cycle 26 is a cycling advocacy group in Ward 26 affiliated with Cycle Toronto.

We support the need for a Leaside Area-Wide Traffic Study in view of the increasing traffic pressures in Leaside related to increased retail and residential developments. However we would suggest that the study be re-named as the Leaside Area-Wide Transportation Study instead of Traffic Study. Traffic infers that the study will look only at vehicular (car) whereas there is a need for study of all transportation options including motor vehicles, the LRT, cycling and walking.

The danger currently is that people will become reluctant to cycle and walk due to their perceived need for "protection". On the contrary, our ROW capacity can be more efficiently utilized if allowance is made for safe cycling and walking.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this initiative.

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c.c. Councillor John Parker  
Jared Kolb, Cycle Toronto