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Subject: Boost the Toronto Cycling Budget to \$25 million

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Dear Councillors.

I make this urgent request of you to consider in your budget deliberations. We need to increase the annual City contribution to the Toronto Cycling Network Plan to \$25 million a year.

Many who live and work here cycle to work and for pleasure. I am one of them. I support Cycle Toronto's efforts to raise awareness of these important issues.

I cycle to work in the summer.

I also take my children biking with me when I can, but whether to Centre Island or the Distillery or the Brickworks it's simply not safe without more infrastructure to separate cyclists and vehicular traffic.

How can I continue to explain to them that our City is as safe as other "world class cities" like Berlin when I know that is not true?

Increasing our City budge to allow PWIC to increase proper segregation of traffic and bikes will only result in good things for the City:

- Fewer car trips
- Healthier transit
- Family centered transit
- Reduced carbon footprint.

I will do my part if you do yours. Please consider raising the annual spend on cycling infrastructure.

Yours.

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