Councilor Justin DiCiano

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From: The Kingsway Park Ratepayers Inc.
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Dear Councillor DiCiano:

Regarding  Bike Lanes on Bloor Street / Bike lane 10 year plan

The Kingsway Park Ratepayers Inc. is firmly opposed to the proposal for any further bike lanes to be implemented along Bloor Street in the Kingsway district between Prince Edward and Montgomery Ave. Street parking is essential as the Kingsway is not situated in the downtown core. Residents downtown may prefer biking or walking due to the close proximity of many facilities servicing the high concentration of condominiums. However, this is not the case for the Kingsway. Many residents are older people who are not able to bike or walk to their destinations, and rely on parking for day to day activities and errands. Removing lanes would have a negative impact on both shops and residents: less parking, increased congestion and a higher likelihood of pedestrian mishaps. The seriously large new development applications arriving on this PARTICULARLY NARROW stretch of Bloor will increase overall congestion for all transportation modes. Please take this district specific information into consideration. What this Bloor Street segment needs is more trees and better sidewalks. Cyclists can use adjacent parallel streets both north and south to enjoy the extensive greenery in the area, safely.

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