Dear City Council:

I am writing to urge Council to realize Vision Zero and to support neighbourhoods as they do their part to implement Vision Zero with your support of items PW30.5 and EX35.26 on the agenda for June 26th.

We need safety on the main streets but we live and go about our daily business in our neighbourhoods. Local traffic and safety issues make it unsafe to get around within the immediate community. The Harbord Village Residents Association (located just southeast of us) recent safety audit of its own area is shocking. We see the same conditions echoed here in Seaton Village. I frequently see drivers going the wrong way, ignoring stop signs, speeding. driving through the intersection when children are crossing with the school crossing guard, large trucks cutting through the neighbourhood and on and on.

We applaud the efforts of Councillors Cressy and Layton and their staffs to help us improve things within our neighbourhood but more is needed. Our residents association, Seaton Village, and other RAs, seek a partnership part with the City, and police, to find ways to significantly improve street design, conditions and enforcement in our communities.

We have started to collect data to inform changes that would help make the neighbourhood safer but a lot of work remains to be done. The Seaton Village Residents' Association, for example, has created several safe streets-related inventories, including information gathered from surveys and many community meetings, held in partnership with our local school and community centre and the 14 Division/Community Response Unit.

Fatal traffic collisions involving cyclists and pedestrians are not limited to main streets. As a resident and vice chair of the SVRA I ask Council to mobilize City resources to extend protections to our neighbourhoods. Support items PW30.5 and EX35.26 on the agenda for June 26th We have a collective responsibility to stop taking chances with people’s health and lives on our streets.

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On 26 June 2018 at 08:59, Clerk <clerk@toronto.ca> wrote:

Good Morning,

If you could please resubmit your comments on EX35.26 and PW30.5 in the body of an email or in a word document, that would be greatly appreciated.

Unfortunately we are unable to accept communication received via drop boxes or Google documents.

Thank you,

Nicole
Subject: agenda item 2018EX35.26, PW30.5

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