January 16, 2018

Councillor Jaye Robinson, Chair, and
Members of the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee
c/o City of Toronto Secretariat
10th Floor, West Tower, City Hall
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Dear Chair Robinson and members of PWIC:

Re: Staff report on “Preparing the City of Toronto for Automated Vehicles”

On behalf of the Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario (RCCAO), I look forward to making a short deputation and showing a 2.5-minute animated YouTube video that our non-profit group produced to illustrate the role that governments could play in influencing the rollout of these new technologies.

The first report, “Ontario Must Prepare for Vehicle Automation: Automated vehicles can influence urban form, congestion and infrastructure delivery,” was released in October 2016 and was lauded in a Maclean’s Magazine editorial in November 2016.

The second report, “Ontario Must Prepare for Vehicle Automation, Part 2: How Skilled Governance Can Influence its Outcome,” was released in October 2017 along with an animated video to help amplify the report’s message.

That later led to good media coverage, including an op-ed written by report author and systems engineer Bern Grush for the Toronto Star in November 2017.

Because of this leading-edge research, Mr. Grush was named the Toronto Star Wheels section’s Newsmaker of the Year for 2017.

OTHER RELEVANT LINKS:

- ReNew Canada magazine, March/April 2017
- ReNew Canada magazine, January/February 2018

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Andy Manahan,
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RCCAO