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# IE6.11.11

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Infrastructure and Environment Committee  
City Hall, Committee Room 1  
100 Queen Street West  
Toronto ON M5H 2N2

Thursday June 27, 2019

**Re: IE6.11 - Cycling Network Plan Update**

Dear Infrastructure and Environment Committee Members:

Road safety is extremely important to my community. The updated Cycling Network Plan you are considering today represents an important step towards delivering Toronto's cycling and road safety priorities.

I'm glad to see Danforth Avenue included as part of the near-term cycling implementation program. Danforth is one of the most heavily used cycling thoroughfares in the city without a dedicated bike lane. It is also the critical link in completing an east-west cycling connection through the heart of Toronto.

With the Danforth Planning and Complete Streets Study underway I am optimistic we will get a bike lane on the Danforth soon. However, I know that process is important to its success. We need to hear from businesses and local stakeholders so we can ensure that the street will be vibrant for generations to come.

My recommendations chart a path forward to deliver a complete street on Danforth. They give staff the opportunity to engage with the community in a meaningful way over the coming year. After the consultations we will be presented with a work plan update and a set of options on the key aspects affecting the future of Danforth: a pilot bike lane from Coxwell Avenue to Dawes Road, tools to support strong main streets, and new public spaces to name a few.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Respectfully,

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**Recommendations:**

Councillor Bradford recommends:

1. City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services, the Chief Planner & Executive Director, City Planning, and the General Manager, Economic Development & Culture to target completion of the Danforth Avenue Planning and Complete Streets Study by June 2021.
2. City Council request the Chief Planner & Executive Director, City Planning to report back to Toronto and East York Community Council in Q2-2020 with a work plan update for the Danforth Avenue Planning and Complete Streets Study including options for the following public realm components:
  - a. New parks and open spaces;
  - b. Additional public art opportunities;
  - c. Improved connectivity to transit;
  - d. Tools to support a strong and diverse retail and commercial sector; and,
  - e. Additional consultation with local stakeholders including Councillors, BIAs, and residents' groups.
3. City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services, to report back to the Infrastructure & Environment Committee in Q2-2020 with a work plan update for the Danforth Avenue Planning and Complete Streets Study including options for the following study components:
  - a. Detailed design of a pilot project for eastbound and westbound cycle tracks on Danforth Avenue East from Coxwell Avenue to Dawes Road;
  - b. Installation of bike counters to demonstrate trends in daily cycling volumes; and,
  - c. Additional consultation with local stakeholders including Councillors, BIAs, and residents' groups.
4. City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services to identify any additional capital or operating budget requirements to deliver the above recommendations through the City's 2020 budget process if required.