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Councillor Gord Perks Chair, Toronto and East York Community Council 100 Queen Street West

O'Connor Drive Intersection and Traffic Safety Review

O'Connor Drive is an arterial road that serves as the main access point to the Don Valley Parkway for commuters. It is also a residential street used by locals to travel within East York. All local East York roads meet with and feed onto O'Connor Drive and the DVP. Westbound access on O'Connor for northbound traffic is a challenge for drivers coming from north-south arterial roads at peak times. The major intersections of Donlands Avenue & O'Connor Drive and Pape Avenue & O'Connor Drive are particularly dangerous.

I have heard from residents that vehicles are frequently speeding along O'Connor Drive, that traffic gets congested at the major intersections on O'Connor because of lined up left turning vehicles, and that collisions have occurred because of left turns occurring at intersections where there are poor sightlines.

Recommendations

1. Request Transportation staff review existing and necessary turn restrictions at Donlands Avenue & O'Connor Drive and Pape Avenue & O'Connor Drive to improve intersection safety and report back with their findings to Toronto and East York Community Council at their meeting in March 2020.

2. Request Transportation staff study signal timing at Donlands Avenue & O'Connor Drive and Pape Avenue & O'Connor Drive to reduce congestion and assess the need for implementing advance left turn signals and report back with their findings to Toronto and East York Community Council at their meeting in March 2020.

3. Request Transportation staff study any additional considerations to improve overall safety and make O'Connor drive safer for pedestrians to cross and report back with their findings to Toronto and East York Community Council at their meeting in March 2020.

Sincerely,

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