December 1, 2019

TEYCC
Toronto City Hall
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Re: TE11.47 Mid-Block Pedestrian Traffic Control Signals
Queen's Park Crescent West, Queen's Park

Dear Members of the TEYCC:

The proposed traffic control signals are within the boundary of the BCCA. The BCCA supports the signalization at these three locations. We have lobbied many years for these Vision Zero improvements. There is a high volume of pedestrians crossing Queen’s Park Crescent to get to the University of Toronto, Queen’s Park and the Ontario Legislative Building and government offices.

In conjunction with the signalization the BCCA requests the following:

- Zebra striping on the excess road pavement at the north end of Queen’s Park (junction of Queen’s Park and north end of Queen’s Park Crescent East and Queen’s Park Crescent West);
- Removal of the three large 400 series expressway signs in Queen’s Park and replacement with on road painted directional markings; and
- Beginning the Environmental Assessment process to remove the expressway style grade separation and expressway style ramps of Queen’s Park Crescent West and Wellesley Street West with the intention to reclaim the heritage landscape and Queen’s Park parkland that was lost in the 1950’s.

The BCCA letter of approximately 2012 requested that the Environmental Assessment process to replace the grade separation of Queen’s Park Crescent West and Wellesley Street West begin.

Queen’s Park is a ceremonial park serving Toronto. It is an important heritage landscape. Queen’s Park is the only City of Toronto park with expressway signage in it. We would like the signs to be gone.

Respectfully,

The BCCA Executive: Marilyn Tait-McClellan, President; Cathy Carnevali, Secretary; Norman Waite, Treasurer; Jack Candido and Kathryn Holden, Members at large.

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