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**IE17.6.1** 



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To the Members of the Infrastructure and Environment Committee 100 Queen Street West, Suite A22 Toronto, ON, M5H 2N2

Dear Members of the Infrastructure and Environment Committee:

## RE: IE17.6 MoveTO 2021-25 - CONGESTION MANAGEMENT INTERIM ACTION PLAN AND NON-COMPETITIVE CONTRACT FOR SMART SIGNALS

The Toronto Financial District BIA recognizes that the Congestion Management Plan is critical to alleviating congestion in Toronto. We support City staff allocating significant resources to implement the MoveTO 2021-25 Interim Action Plan and accelerate the Congestion Management Plan. These actions will support the continued resilience of the Financial District and promote economic growth during and after the COVID-19 pandemic.

We commend the City's commitment to capitalize on Intelligent Transportation Systems and the development of a comprehensive Transportation Demand Management Strategy that stimulates engagement with employers to manage traffic congestion as workers return to the office and travel demand increases.

We have been proponents for a robust Congestion Management Plan since it was approved by City Council in 2013. We strongly encourage the accelerated implementation of the Interim Action Plan, continued funding for the broader Congestion Management Plan, and formulation of the proposed Transportation Demand Management Strategy.

Should you have any questions, please contact Alicia Callaghan at <u>acallaghan@torontofinancialdistrict.com</u> or 416-995-8825.

Best regards,

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