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Toronto and East York Community Council
City Hall, Committee Room 1
100 Queen Street West
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Dear Chair and Council Members,

Re: Front Street, Wellington Street & Church Street

At its meeting of December 13 - 15, 2016, City Council approved modifications to the section of Wellington Street East at the intersection of Church Street and Front Street through item TE20.44. Consistent with the St. Lawrence Market Neighbourhood Business Improvement Area (BIA) Master Plan for the area, the improvements will include a widened boulevard and centre median area, reduced crossing distances for pedestrians, an opportunity for trees, a streetcar loading area, a parking lay-by as well as space for patios and street furniture. The improvements will be constructed as part of a larger coordinated capital project to be delivered in 2020 which involves state-of-good-repair work including Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) streetcar track replacement, various utility upgrades, watermain improvements and roadway resurfacing for this section of Wellington Street East.

East of Church Street, Front Street East is a four lane roadway, with two lanes in each direction separated by a centre median. At its intersection with Church Street, eastbound and westbound traffic diverge around the Flat Iron building with eastbound traffic continuing along Wellington Street and westbound traffic on Front Street.

Transportation Services staff have advised that in order to implement the required Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS) at the intersection and provide efficient movement of pedestrians, cyclists and motorists, that the south curb lane for westbound traffic which currently functions as a through/left turn lane needs to be designated as a left-turn only lane.

As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a transit service on Wellington Street East, City Council approval of this recommendation is required.

Recommendation:

1. City Council designate the southerly westbound lane on Front Street East, from Church Street to a point 33 metres east, for westbound left turns.

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