From: <u>Aaron Binder</u>

To: <u>Infrastructure and Environment</u>

**Subject:** My comments for 2021.IE22.11 on May 25, 2021 Infrastructure and Environment Committee

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## To the City Clerk:

Please add my comments to the agenda for the May 25, 2021 Infrastructure and Environment Committee meeting on item 2021.IE22.11, Cycling Network Plan - 2021 Cycling Infrastructure Installation - Second Quarter Update and Missing Link Sidewalk Program - 2021 Local Road Sidewalk Installation

I understand that my comments and the personal information in this email will form part of the public record and that my name will be listed as a correspondent on agendas and minutes of City Council or its committees. Also, I understand that agendas and minutes are posted online and my name may be indexed by search engines like Google.

## Comments:

Since 2004, Segway of Ontario has been a leading distributor of Micromobility products in Canada. In that time we've also operated successful Segway and Walking Tour operations at both the Distillery District and Ontario Place.

Both of our Toronto locations are on the Martin Goodman Trail, allowing our employees and customers easy access to our business. Most of our employees commute via bicycle, e-scooter or public transit. The MGT and downtown Cycle Tracks have improved accessibility and road safety for them drastically since installation.

Our management and employees all support the expansion of Toronto's biking network. In fact, we urge the city to grow Toronto's cycling network more boldly by identifying and implementing additional barrier-separated cycle tracks. Cycle tracks are proven to increase the safety of vulnerable road users like pedestrians, cyclists and other micromobility users. Increased cycle track usage also directly correlates to reduced car trips.

We applaud the City for pursuing more Cycling infrastructure and urge Staff + City Council to adopt the Cycling Plan.

Sincerely,

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