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Subject: IE 26.10- Cycling Network Plan - 2021 Cycling Infrastructure Installation - Fourth Quarter Update and the Future of the 2020 ActiveTO Cycling Network Projects
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To the City Clerk: Please add our comments to the agenda for the December 2, 2021 Infrastructure and Environment Committee meeting on item IE26.10, Cycling Network Plan - 2021 Cycling Infrastructure Installation - Fourth Quarter Update and the Future of the 2020 ActiveTO Cycling Network Projects.

We understand that our comments will form part of the public record and that our name will be listed as a correspondent on agendas and minutes of City Council or its committees. Also, we understand that agendas and minutes are posted online and our name may be indexed by search engines like Google.

Dear Committee Members and the Mayor,

Toronto Centre Cyclists strongly supports the staff recommendations:

- to make all of the Active TO bikeways permanent, and to upgrade them
- to approve the proposed cycling network projects for 2022-2024
- to streamline the bikeway adjustment process to improve the timing of adjustments
- the request for additional staff to support design, consultation, delivery construction and monitoring for the delivery of bikeway projects

We also support Cycle Toronto's recommendation that when streets are reconstructed, a Complete Streets approach should always be considered. Only about 15% of road rehabilitation projects include a bikeway, meaning that 25 km of major bikeway opportunities are missed every year. Considering a complete street design that includes space for all road users during road rehabilitation projects must become the rule, and not the exception.

These are some of the aspects of the plan that we are most excited about in Toronto Centre;
permanent cycle tracks on Dundas St East from Sackville to

Broadview, Bloor St from Avenue Rd to Castle Frank Station, Bayview from Rosedale Valley Road to River Street, University Avenue from Bloor to Adelaide, and Danforth from Broadview to Victoria Park Ave. These cycle tracks have been life-changing for all of us in Toronto Centre.

We are also very much looking forward to upgrades and studies on other routes including Avenue Rd, Adelaide, Davenport, Yonge St, Dundas East, the Esplanade from Yonge to Sherbourne and many more.

We want a more equitable city for everyone and we are happy to see many new cycle tracks and upgrades to existing routes in other areas of the city also- Bloor West from Runnymede to Kipling, Danforth to Warden Avenue, the West Toronto Railpath to Sudbury, the Leaside Bridge to Overlea, and the gap in protection on Bloor West to be closed from Dundas West to Landsdowne.

Toronto's Cycling Network Plan will also help the city achieve the targets proposed in Transform TO.

We are excited to see a goal of 75% of work and school trips under 5 km to be walking, biking and transit by 2030. To achieve this goal we need more protected cycle tracks, Complete Streets, and more safety on our streets for everyone.

Sincerely,

Toronto Centre Cyclists