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City Councillor | Ward 14 Toronto-Danforth

September 3rd, 2021 Councillor Gord Perks Chair, Toronto and East York Community Council Toronto City Hall

Options for the Truncated Section of Gerrard St. East of Carlaw

Dear Chair and Members of Toronto and East York Community Council,

For many decades Gerrard East ran along the south side of the tracks. It did not run straight through to Carlaw.

When Gerrard Street was extended easterly an intersection was created at Gerrard and Carlaw, in essence creating two Gerrard Streets.

In 2002 Transportation Services closed off the entrance from the original Gerrard Street onto the new Gerrard Street. Nonetheless because the original street is still signed as Gerrard Street many drivers try to cut through to avoid the intersection and many large vehicles - TTC buses and Semis included also see the sign and enter there only to find themselves completely stuck which creates a dangerous situation for residents.

For many years I have been working with local residents to try to fix this, but the problems continue.

A review of all options is required. Please support the following recommendation:

1. Request the General Manager, Transportation Services, to review the situation and all options for the truncated portion of Gerrard and in consultation with the Ward Councillor present options to the local residents and report to the December meeting of TEYCC.

Sincerely,

Paula Fletcher City Councillor Ward 14, Toronto-Danforth

Attachment 1: Photo of Semi-Truck

