



November 24, 2021

Toronto and East York Community Council
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Dear Chair and Members,

RE: Croatia Street No Vehicles Zone to Review

BACKGROUND:

Residents along Brock Avenue have long been concerned about the level of traffic that flows through this residential area from Dufferin Mall and Dufferin Street. Staff's most recent counts revealed that over the busiest eight-hour period of a typical weekday (July 2017), approximately 1,300 eastbound motorists entered Croatia Street from Brock Street and 600 westbound motorists exited Croatia Street to Brock Street. Motorists are currently cutting across Croatia Street to access Bloor Street West via Brock Street. As part of the planned redevelopment of 1141 Bloor St. W., Pauline Avenue will be extended (at a new signal), south to Croatia Street from Bloor Street West. Once the new north/south roadway is established, it presents a further opportunity make the area to the east of it safer and more pedestrian friendly by closing a section of roadway. This measure will serve to keep traffic away from neighbourhood area and provide safe crossing for students from the new school being constructed on the northeast corner of Croatia and Brock to the playing field on the southeast corner. For these reasons I am requesting your support to investigate the permanent closure to vehicular traffic of Croatia Street from Brock Avenue to the extension of Pauline Avenue.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Toronto East York Community Council request the General Manager of Transportation Services to review and report back on the feasibility of permanently closing to vehicular traffic Croatia Street from Brock Avenue to the extension of Pauline Avenue.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Ana Bailão
Deputy Mayor & Councillor, Ward 9 – Davenport