

February 24, 2021

TO: City of Toronto, Toronto and East York Community Council

RE: Meeting, February 24, 2021

AGENDA ITEM: TE23.70 Pedestrian Crossing Protection - Wellington Street East and Scott Street.

RECOMMENDATION: The Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. Toronto and East York Community Council authorize the installation of traffic control signals at the intersection of Wellington Street East and Scott Street.

Dear Members of Toronto and East York Community Council,

The St. Lawrence Neighbourhood Association supports the Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services' recommendation to authorize the installation of traffic control signals at the intersection of Wellington St. East and Scott St.

Wellington St. is a four-lane roadway with fast-moving car and truck traffic traveling Westbound. It is also used as a detour route for streetcars. There is currently no pedestrian crossover or traffic control signal at the intersection of Scott St. Scott St. is a two-lane north-south road with two-way car traffic with a stop sign at its intersection with Wellington St. East.

Wellington and Scott is a very busy intersection – many pedestrians cross Wellington, despite the fact there is no pedestrian crossover or traffic control signal.

Residents of the area and users of the King streetcar cross Wellington going to and from work in the Financial District.

People cross Wellington on their way to the St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts, St. Lawrence Market, and Berczy Park which has become a major attraction throughout the year. Many people also cross through Berczy Park on their way to Front St. E.

Many seniors, parents with strollers and people with accessibility issues also cross at this intersection because of the distance to the nearest traffic control signals at Yonge or Church.

Wellington Street is being revitalized in the spring of 2021 with new sidewalks, more trees and landscaping, street furniture, and additional space for patios. The North Market Building Redevelopment is also currently underway. Both projects will attract more residents and tourists to the area.

In addition, the population of the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood has and will continue to increase with more condominiums, rental buildings, and office buildings planned for the area.



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Currently, with no traffic control signal, this intersection is not safe to cross. Traffic is often traveling very quickly and there are parked cars on the north side of Wellington which makes it difficult for anyone crossing from the north sidewalk to see oncoming traffic.

A traffic control signal at Wellington and Scott is needed to increase safety for all road users.

Thank you for your consideration of this important request.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors St. Lawrence Neighbourhood Association

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