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Dear Councillors:

IE28.7 Cycling Network Plan - 2022 Cycling Infrastructure Installation - First Quarter and 2021 ActiveTO Cycling Network Expansion Project Updates
Infrastructure and Environment Committee Meeting, 29 March 2022

The Lytton Park Residents' Organization is an incorporated non-profit association, representing residents living in the area bounded by Lawrence Avenue West to Roselawn and Briar Hill Avenues, Yonge Street to Saguenay and Proudfoot Avenue.

Lytton Park Residents' Organization has been supportive of the midtown Yonge complete street pilot. We support City staff's recommendation to continue collecting data and improving the corridor until July 2023. We also support a northward extension of the pilot in 2022 to better connect with the new complete street and transit line at Eglinton Avenue.

There is no doubt that COVID-19 has changed the way we live. As the city re-opens, we have concerns about our ability to get around safely, especially along major transit corridors with dense development and overstrained transit lines.

The Yonge complete street pilot has been a benefit for the midtown community in several ways:

- It has made the street safer for all road users by adding protected bike lanes, curb bumpouts, and traffic calming measures. It has reduced speeding along Yonge Street.
- It has also been a boon to the local businesses that have struggled during the pandemic. Whether the CafeTO on-street patios, the dedicated on-street parking and delivery zones, the public art, or greenery, the complete street project has supported making Yonge in midtown a vibrant place again.
- The protected bikeway has supported local residents and visitors in nearby shopping, and given delivery riders a safe way to connect restaurants to their customers.
- It is providing a safe option to commute between midtown and downtown, acting as a "transit safety valve" during the pandemic to provide safe transport choices as people return to work and school.

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Programs like ActiveTO and CafeTO have shown that Toronto can adapt quickly to support local residents, businesses, and our city's economy. We hope that the City will continue to work with local stakeholders to make more adjustments so that the project can work better for everyone.

We ask that you continue to support the midtown Yonge complete street pilot and continue making the improvements and extensions necessary to keep midtown Toronto moving forward.

Thank you for your consideration,

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