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Infrastructure and Environment Committee
City of Toronto
Toronto City Hall
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

RE: IE29.4.Park Lawn Lake Shore Transportation Master Plan and Legion Road

Dear Members of the Infrastructure and Environment Committee,

Cycle Toronto supports the IE29.4.Park Lawn Lake Shore Transportation Master Plan and Legion Road - Final Report (Ward 3), though we would like to see the extension of the proposed bikeway on Lakeshore Blvd extended over the Humber to provide a safe alternative direct route for cyclists commuting in and out of the city on Lakeshore Blvd.

Cycle Toronto is working with Councillor Grimes and relevant City Staff to find appropriate short-term and long-term solutions that would guarantee the success of the project by providing people who bike with a safe and direct route in and of the city. We would like to see Transportation Services consider the following recommendations:

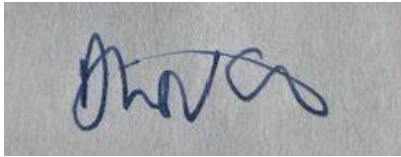
- **Extending the proposed bikeway east on Lakeshore over the Humber River** to provide a more efficient transition to the Martin Goodman Trail as a short term solution
- In the long term, building a permanent, **safe, alternative direct route for cyclists commuting in and out of the city on Lakeshore Blvd** which would alleviate the congestion on the recreational Martin Goodman trail

The current plan does not provide a safe connection for people commuting by bike along Lake Shore Blvd to cross the Humber River, and instead diverts them onto the already crowded Humber Bay Arch Bridge and Martin Goodman multi-use trail. This re-routing creates a barrier for people seeking a safe and direct cycling route in and out of the city, and will increase conflicts between people already sharing the multi-use trail in a constrained amount of space. The Martin Goodman Trail is already very busy with people walking, cycling, roller blading, skateboarding, using mobility devices, running, as well as other activities, resulting in congestion and bottle necks. This problem will be amplified once the planned Christie site development is completed.

Lakeshore Blvd is a key route that links the west to the downtown core and could better connect people to the city-wide cycling network. It would also significantly increase the dedicated public space for people seeking healthy outdoor recreational activities while also increasing the safety and comfort of all road users.

Cycle Toronto is confident that these concerns can be addressed in the coming months through continued collaboration to ensure that this project will be a success.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Sincerely,
Alison Stewart
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Cycle Toronto

Cycle Toronto is a member-supported charitable organization working to make Toronto a safe, healthy, and vibrant cycling city for all.

