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City Councillor | Ward 14 Toronto-Danforth

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Councillor Gord Perks
Chair, Toronto and East York Community Council
Toronto City Hall

Pedestrian Safety – Donlands Avenue and Strathmore Boulevard

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

A dangerous pedestrian safety issue has developed at Donlands Avenue and Strathmore Boulevard which is next to both Wilkinson Junior Public School and the TTC Second Exit and Easier Access Construction Project at Donlands Subway Station.

Residents have noted many TTC buses and construction vehicles mounting the sidewalk directly adjacent to the school on Strathmore Boulevard. Out of concern for pedestrian safety they have contacted me and the TTC about this on January 25th. The TTC advised over the last 2 weeks they had taken steps to address the matter. Transportation Services put in pylons at the location to discourage vehicles going on onto the sidewalk.

Alas, the problem persists. On the Morning of February 14th, two TTC buses were parked on the sidewalk at that location – please see Attachment 1 and 2. It would seem more stringent measures need to be taken to rectify the problem.

Recommendation:

1. Toronto and East York Community Council request General Manager, Transportation Services to review, on an urgent basis, in consultation with the CEO, TTC and the local Councillor the pedestrian safety issues at Donlands Avenue and Strathmore Boulevard and if the problem cannot be rectified by noon on February 18, 2022, that either the TTC agree to pay for Traffic Wardens to be assigned to the location; or any standing zone and related permissions for TTC vehicles in the area be revoked.
2. Toronto and East York Community Council request General Manager to review how and why TTC and other vehicles were parking on and mounting the sidewalk at the north east corner of Donlands Avenue and Strathmore Boulevard and report to the April 21, 2022 meeting of Toronto and East York Community Council on what might be done to prevent this occurring again at that location or elsewhere.

Sincerely,

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