

Saturday, May 6, 2023

City Council councilmeeting@toronto.ca Toronto City Hall 100 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

To the Members of City Council:

Re: Support for TE4.66 – Pedestrian Safety on Avenue Road, Bloor Street to St. Clair Avenue West to be considered at May 10-12, 2023 City Council Meeting

The Bay Cloverhill Community Association represents 18,000 individuals in the Yonge/College/Queen's Park/Charles neighbourhood in University Rosedale Ward 11 and Toronto Centre Ward 13. Given our proximity to Avenue Road, we support any efforts that can improve pedestrian safety in the area. Our residents complain of loud sounds from high performance vehicles on Bay Street near Bloor, and we believe that Avenue Road is their ultimate destination. Making improvements will make Avenue Road, and ultimately Bay Street, a less desirable location for these high performance speedsters.

Throughout the city, there are many vulnerable senior citizens and families in the area who are pedestrians on narrow sidewalks, competing with numerous bikes and e-bikes that ride on sidewalks, with food delivery couriers being the worst offenders. Any measures that the City of Toronto can undertake to make the sidewalks safer for pedestrians in line with Vision Zero

We are in favour of the following:

- Reducing the speed limit to 40 km/hour
- Speed enforcement by Toronto Police Services
- Installing physical barriers, sidewalk extensions and delivery/drop off spaces

Please pass this item at the City Council meeting starting on May 10, 2023.

Sincerely,

Bay Cloverhill Community Association Executive

Christine Dingemans, President Marilyn Tait-McClellan, Vice President

Cathy Carnevali, Secretary Norman Waite, Treasurer Kathryn Holden, Ex-Officio

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