



July 18, 2023

Toronto City Hall
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2
Attention: Sylwia Przewdziecki

RE: IE5.5 Planning for an E-Scooter Pilot: Supplementary Report from the General Manager, Transportation Services on Developing a Micro-mobility Strategy and Pilot Projects (IE5.5a)

Dear Mayor Olivia Chow and Members of City Council,

This communication is to strongly support the Supplementary Staff Report referenced above and its recommendation as follows:

1. City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services, in consultation with relevant divisions, agencies, boards and commissions and key stakeholders, including, but not limited to, members of the public, the Toronto Accessibility Advisory Committee and persons with disabilities, pedestrians, cyclists, transit riders, business improvement areas, and the broad micromobility industry, to report back by end of Q1 of 2024 on a comprehensive Micromobility Strategy, as described in the report entitled "Developing a Micromobility Strategy and Pilot Projects" from the General Manager, Transportation Services, dated July 18, 2023.

We support this recommendation for several reasons:

- It comprises the well-considered advice of City staff which was missing from the two earlier IEC submissions
- It proposes a truly comprehensive strategy including public consultation with relevant stakeholders such as persons with disabilities, pedestrians and cyclists
- It does not propose the immediate planning for an e-scooter pilot (which would be contrary to City Council's standing direction (2020))

Yours truly,

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Cc: Barbara Gray, General Manager, Transportation Services Division
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Janet Lo, Project Manager, Smart Mobility, Transportation Services

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