



City of Toronto Infrastructure and Environment Committee (IEC)  
c/o Ellen Devlin, Committee Administrator  
10<sup>th</sup> floor, West Tower, City Hall  
100 Queen Street West  
Toronto, Ontario M5H 2N2

January 27, 2023

**RE: IE1.4 ActiveTO Yonge Street Cycling Network Expansion**

To Deputy Mayor McKelvie, Chair, and Members of Infrastructure and Environment Committee,

Cycle Don Valley Midtown is the ward advocacy group for Cycle Toronto in Ward 15 and Ward 16, and we strongly urge you to vote in favour of the City staff recommendation to make the Midtown Yonge Complete Street Pilot permanent.

The Midtown Yonge Complete Street Pilot from Bloor to Davisville has been widely used and greatly appreciated by our members as an efficient and safe connection to reach the broader cycling network downtown. What's more, many of our members live in the communities near the pilot area and the complete street, including the on-street patios and protected bike lanes, has encouraged them to visit Yonge more often. The project supports the City's drive to Net Zero and drive to Vision Zero while also helping local businesses to rebuild and recover.

City staff are to be commended on their diligence in engaging with the community, monitoring the pilot experience and making adjustments as needed to ensure the pilot continued to improve and deliver on its objectives. This is borne out in the data collected as walking and cycling levels continued to grow over the pilot period. We look forward to seeing more improvements as the infrastructure is upgraded to a permanent installation. We also request the complete street be extended north of Davisville to connect with the eglintonTODay complete street as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration,

Geoff Kettel  
On behalf of the Executive of Cycle Don Valley Midtown  
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