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Executive Committee
Toronto City Council
100 Queen St. W.
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RE: EX15.2 - Priorities in Transit Expansion and Transit-Oriented Communities Projects

Dear Mayor Chow and Members of the Executive Committee,

Improving the efficiency of transit must include expanding the cycling network and Toronto Bike Share for the multi-modal future of Toronto's transportation system. Bikes play a crucial role supporting transit users with first- and last-mile solutions, reducing reliance on transfers, making commutes more convenient, and reducing congestion. Cycling and transit together expand mobility options and is critical for meeting our TransformTO Climate Action Strategy's goal of 75% of trips under 5 km walked, biked, or taken by transit by 2030.

Cycle Toronto urges you to include the implementation of the 2025-2027 Cycling Network Plan to the City Policies, Standards & Levers that are developed to advance City priorities through the Transit Expansion and Transit-Oriented Communities Projects. Implementing an ambitious cycling network should be viewed with the same importance as improving access to transit. The city must do more to protect the lives of vulnerable road users. As the Executive, we urge you to help shift the public discourse that implementing bikeways is a city priority.

The advancement of the Province's Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) must advance City priorities by delivering safe and accessible active transportation options that include Complete Streets. Separated, protected and connected bikeways should be a requirement when adjacent to surface transit corridors. This is needed for seamless integration between transit and sustainable transportation modes for positive customer experience, equitable outcomes and a comfortable experience in the public realm.

Thank you for your consideration on this important issue.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alison Stewart".

Alison Stewart
Director of Advocacy and Public Policy

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