

City Council

Motion without Notice

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Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds for Traffic Control Signals at Queen Street East and Sackville Street - by Councillor Chris Moise, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ausma Malik

** This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

** This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

Recommendations

Councillor Chris Moise, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ausma Malik, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the installation of traffic control signals at the intersection of Queen Street East and Sackville Street.
2. City Council authorize the removal of the existing pedestrian crossover on Queen Street East, immediately west of Sackville Street in conjunction with the installation of traffic control signals at Queen Street East and Sackville Street.
3. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services to prioritize the conversion of the pedestrian crossing at Queen Street East and Sackville Street and install traffic control signals as soon as possible, but no later than Third Quarter 2025.
4. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services, in consultation with the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC), to review and report back to Toronto and East York Community Council by First Quarter 2025 on the traffic safety and operation of the existing pedestrian crossovers, including but not limited to, the conversion of the pedestrian crossovers to traffic control signals at the following intersections:
 - a. Dundas Street East and Bond Street
 - b. Dundas Street East and George Street
 - c. Dundas Street East and Pembroke Street
 - d. Parliament Street and Oak Street
 - e. Queen Street East and Ontario Street
 - f. Queen Street East and Sackville Street

g. King Street East and Ontario Street

h. King Street East and Sackville Street

i. Parliament Street and 200m north of Wellesley Street East

j. Sherbourne Street and Earl Street

k. Sherbourne Street and 195m south of Wellesley Street East

5. City Council increase the 2024-2033 Capital Budget and Plan for Transportation Services by \$290,000 gross, \$0 debt for delivery of new traffic control signals at the intersection of Queen Street East and Sackville Street (CTP724-02), fully funded by Section 37 community benefits secured from the development at 46 to 48 Power Street, and 113 to 125 Parliament Street (Source Account: XR3026-3701033).

Summary

We've all seen it - drivers speeding past our streetcars, a dangerous act that poses severe risks. Our responsibility is clear: act now or risk further lives.

I'm introducing this motion to address this. It requests transportation services to convert all pedestrian crossings along four streetcar routes and three intersections near schools on bus routes within my ward. As these are along TTC routes, they are not delegated to Community Council and require City Council authority.

Our pedestrians, particularly around our schools, need safe crossings. It is critical that we do everything we can to proactively reduce risk and prevent casualties.

This motion is urgent as a pedestrian and their baby were recently killed after being stuck by a driver at Queen Street and Sackville Street and we need to act with urgency.

Background Information (City Council)

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(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-247885.pdf>)