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To the City Clerk:

Please add these comments to the agenda for the June 11, 2024 Toronto and East York Community Council meeting on item 2024.TE14.38, Avenue Road Study - Interim Update and Proposed Site-Specific Road Safety Improvements

We understand that the comments and the personal information in this email will form part of the public record and that our names as officers of the Rathnelly Area Residents' Association will be listed as correspondents on agendas and minutes of City Council or its committees. Also, we understand that agendas and minutes are posted online and our names may be indexed by search engines like Google.

- The Rathnelly Area Residents' Association is a long-time supporter of the Avenue Road Safety Coalition with a particular concern for wide sidewalks and slower vehicular speeds.
- RARA strongly objects to the proposal to install a physical barrier at the Dupont intersection as a means of preventing westbound vehicles on Roxborough Street from accessing the northbound left turn lane at Dupont. RARA believes this would have a negative impact on our neighbourhood because it would compel northbound drivers to search out left-turn options at Macpherson Avenue and Cottingham Street. This would greatly increase the traffic in our neighbourhood. A prohibition on such left-hand turns would impede the ability of our residents to get to their homes.
- The proposed signalized pedestrian crossing of Avenue Road at Ramsden Park is also an important safety measure. It should be funded and installed as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,  
Pym Buitenhuis  
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Co-presidents  
Rathnelly Area Residents' Association