

122 Communications were received with text similar to the following:

Dear IEC,

No new bike lanes.

I fully understand that the City of Toronto is facing unprecedented challenges with Bill 212, which restricts how and where Ontario municipalities can build bike lanes that involve removing travel lanes. I want to commend you and your colleagues for your firm opposition to that legislation back in November.⁽¹⁾

But the city's 2025 IE23.6 Cycling Network Plan – Second Quarter Update⁽²⁾ puts forward zero new kilometres of bike lanes.

This moment calls for leadership, not retreat.

Today I am asking you to:

1. Complete the Leaside Bridge to Danforth Avenue Cycling Connections, and move forward installing the Logan-Carlaw contraflow bike lanes;
2. Make Jones safer for all road users, and reject the staff recommendations to reverse Council's decision on upgrading the existing painted bike lanes to protected cycle tracks;
3. Direct staff to expedite public consultations on all the major projects in the Council-approved 2025-2027 Cycling Network Plan⁽³⁾ that don't necessarily involve lane removals or whose delivery notes indicate "dependent on bundled or sequenced work (transit, road, water, other)" including:
 - Brimorton Drive Major Upgrade
 - Danforth-Kingston (Kingston sections)
 - Eglinton Avenue East
 - Greenwood Major Upgrade
 - Jane and Finch Connections
 - Keele Street
 - Kipling North
4. Direct staff to bring forward a plan for 2026 to upgrade the existing cycling network including filling potholes in bike lanes⁽⁴⁾ and replacing all quick build materials (pinned curbs, low walls, flexi-posts, etc) to permanent materials like poured concrete to enhance their comfort and beauty⁽⁵⁾

Not moving forward with contraflow bike lanes on Logan-Carlaw or reversing the Council-approved decision to upgrade bike lanes on Jones cannot be blamed on provincial overreach. No travel lanes are impacted. Logan-Carlaw even meets the premier's own criteria of putting "bike lanes on secondary roads" by avoiding parallel arterials.

You have the power to keep building a healthier and more vibrant cycling city for everyone.

1. CC23.1 - Respecting Local Democracy and Cities | <https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2024.CC23.1>
2. IE23.6 - Cycling Network Plan - 2025 Cycling Infrastructure and Missing Sidewalk Installation - Second Quarter Update | <https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2025.IE23.6>
3. Attachment 2 - 2025 - 2027 Near-Term Implementation Program - Part 2 | <https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/ie/bgrd/backgroundfile-245696.pdf>
4. MM31.19 - Fixing Roads Faster - by Mayor Olivia Chow, seconded by Councillor Paula Fletcher | <https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2025.MM31.19>
5. MM19.26 - Towards a Beautiful City - by Councillor Josh Matlow, seconded by Councillor Parthi Kandavel | <https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2024.MM19.26>

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