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## Re: Congestion Management Plan (2023-2026) update

Dear Infrastructure and Environment Committee members,

At the April 2025 Infrastructure and Environment Committee meeting, city staff will bring forward a report with an update on the Congestion Management Plan (2023-2026). This report will highlight the many actions the city is taking to manage congestion and demonstrate our commitment to taking the issue seriously.

Recently the Toronto Region Board of Trade released a report, *Breaking Gridlock: A Congestion Action Plan for Toronto*, which proposes five actions to get Toronto moving in the near-term:

- **Reduce lane closures** by pricing lane closures to incentivize faster, better construction and making off-peak construction on major arterials the norm.
- **Enforce the rules of the road** with enhanced automated enforcement.
- **Unclog the arteries** with a variety of actions including limiting curb lane cafés, moving parking off-street on select roads, and incentivizing off-peak deliveries.
- **Clear the bottlenecks** by re-engineering traffic flow at the Gardiner-Harbour nexus, piloting ramp metering and promoting zipper merging.
- **Implement accountability mechanisms** including the creation of an intergovernmental table, and monitoring and publishing of KPIs for traffic flow.

I recommend we request city staff provide a response to the eleven recommendations identified in the report and how they might be included in the city's congestion management toolbox going forward.

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Infrastructure and Environment Committee requests the General Manager, Transportation Services to report back to the Infrastructure and Environment Committee on April 9, 2025, on the Toronto Region Board of Trade's *Breaking Gridlock: A Congestion Action Plan for Toronto* report, including:

- A status update on the calls to action identified in the report that the city has already actioned and timing for implementation and/or next steps.
- An initial feasibility assessment of the calls to action that have not been implemented by the city.

Sincerely,

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