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Motion to IEC

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Consistent Bike Lane Use Rules

Summary: The Municipal Code currently has different rules for which vehicles can use Toronto bike lanes, depending on whether the lane is classified as a "cycle track" or not. In particular, some heavy motorized vehicles that can be moved without pedaling are permitted on painted bike lanes, but are prohibited on cycle tracks.

This distinction is extremely confusing to the public and virtually impossible to enforce. It contributes to the plague of mopeds and other motorized vehicles bombing down bike lanes, which endanger the safety of all other road users. The City should have consistent rules for which vehicles can be used in all bike lanes.

Recommendation:

Infrastructure and Environment Committee directs the General Manager of Transportation Services to report back to Infrastructure and Environment Committee in Q1 2026 with recommendations to create a single harmonized set of rules on which vehicles are eligible for use in all Toronto bike lanes.

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