



**To: Councillor Dianne Saxe
Toronto-East York Community Council**

From: South Rosedale Residents Association (SRRA). 30 Elm Ave Co-Ownership Inc, Clifton Manor Residents Association (CTA), and O'Shanter Development Corporation

Re: Item TE25-49: Sherbourne Street North and Elm Avenue/Maple Avenue – Traffic Control Signals and Traffic Regulations

Date: Sept 16, 2025

A quick email survey of residents of South Rosedale (through membership in the South Rosedale Residents Association) and of tenants of Clifton Manor apartments at 5 and 11 Elm Ave has been conducted. The survey asked for opinions about the proposed installation of traffic control lights at the Elm-Maple-Sherbourne intersection. Most respondents did not support the installation of traffic lights (to date, 63 households oppose the lights and four support them.) See link to survey:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1p9l6HannFLOQNazC7vhYEV8i6WlvBBrRj2inxwC-io4/edit?usp=sharing>)

Reinforced by this added information, we repeat our earlier request (1) that this item be rejected completely or, failing that, (2) that the decision be postponed for at least a year (as previously agreed to in a June 4th email from Councillor Saxe).

This will allow time (1) to secure more community input; (2) to assess the impact on traffic once area construction projects are complete; and (3) to allow implementation of several smaller mitigation actions which will have a positive effect on traffic management and will not require this expensive traffic light installation. These mitigation actions on Elm Ave (already proposed to Councillor Saxe) include speed humps, extended no standing/no parking times 7:00-9:00 am and 3:00-5:00 pm and garbage pick-up between 9:00 am-2:00 pm only.

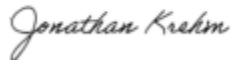
It is clear from this survey that most residents in the area, both owners and tenants, are more immediately focused on the traffic congestion caused by Branksome Hall parents stopping on Elm Ave to drop off or pick up their children. Somehow this issue has become deflected into a debate about the pros and cons of traffic control lights at the nearby intersection. It does not address this central traffic problem which occurs for two periods of time each weekday on a stretch of Elm Avenue.

We have already been actively engaged with Branksome Hall in ad hoc discussions about this issue. So far, these discussions have been productive. However, we propose to go further by establishing a broader community liaison committee to work collaboratively with Branksome Hall to devise ways to solve or at least minimize this and other problems that might arise. Branksome Hall is a major institution in this part of South Rosedale and it is here to stay. They are also our neighbours.

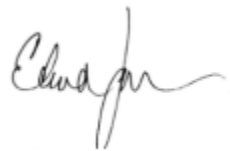
Therefore, let us continue to work together in a neighbourly fashion with Branksome, supported by Councillor Saxe's office and relevant city departments, to come up with practical solutions to the main traffic problem on Elm Avenue.



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