

From: [Neil Jain](#)
To: [Infrastructure and Environment](#)
Cc: [Jayne Armstrong](#); [Lizbeth Lascano](#); [White, Robin](#); [John Hiddema](#); [Councillor Matlow](#)
Subject: [External Sender] Request to Reject Proposal that Does Not Include Traffic Light - Improving Davisville Avenue Project - June 10 Agenda Item
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Attachments: [Traffic Light Installation - Davisville Public School -.pdf](#)

June 8, 2026

To: Infrastructure and Environment Committee, by email.

Cc:

Jayne Armstrong, Senior Public Consultation Coordinator, City of Toronto
Lizbeth Lascano, Director, Davisville Care Programme Inc.
Robin White, Principal, Davisville Junior Public School and Spectrum Alternative Senior School
John Hiddema, Co-President, South Eglinton Davisville Residents' Association
Councillor Josh Matlow, Ward 12, City of Toronto

Subject: Traffic Light to replace Pedestrian Crossover in front of 50 Davisville Avenue.

To whom it may concern:

My name is Neil Jain. I am a resident of Davisville Village and the Chair of the Board of Directors at Davisville Care Programme Inc. My daughter attends Davisville Junior Public School and Davisville Care Programme.

This letter is with regards to improvements to Davisville Avenue. I am writing in advance of the June 10, 2026 meeting of the Infrastructure and Environment Committee (IEC) where Transportation Services is seeking IEC approval for its recommendations.

I strongly recommend **rejecting** the portion of the proposal with regards to the pedestrian crossover in front of 50 Davisville Avenue, the building that houses Davisville Junior Public School, Spectrum Alternative Senior School, and Davisville Care Programme.

Members of this community have for many years advocated for a **traffic light** to keep our City's most vulnerable population - young children - safe from the unpredictable and reckless behaviour of many motor vehicle operators on Davisville Avenue.

Although Transportation Services' "technical analysis" may have concluded that a traffic light is not warranted, it is obvious to the many members of this community that have communicated feedback that a traffic light is the **safest option**.

I am also attaching a letter sent from Davisville Care Programme Inc. to Councillor Josh Matlow and Transportation Services General Manager Ashley Curtis on November 24, 2025 with additional information.

Regards,
Neil Jain

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From: **Jayne Armstrong** <Jayne.Armstrong@toronto.ca>

Date: Wed, 3 Jun 2026 at 16:40

Subject: Improving Davisville Avenue to be presented for approval at committee on June 10

To:

Hello,

Thank you for participating in the Improving Davisville Avenue: Designing a Safer & More Beautiful Street Together project. The public consultation process is complete, and you can view the Consultation Report on the [project webpage](#).

At this time Transportation Services is proposing a phased approach to road safety changes, and its report to Infrastructure and Environment Committee recommends the following:

- **Davisville, from Yonge Street to Mount Pleasant Road:**
 - Enhance visibility at pedestrian crossings by prohibiting parking 30 m in advance and 15 m after in each direction at pedestrian crossovers
 - Traffic calming features, including raised medians
- **Add a new commercial loading zone in front of 21 Davisville Avenue, Hasty Market**
- **Yonge Street & Davisville Avenue intersection**
 - Add a dedicated eastbound right-turn signal
 - Right turns from Chaplin Crescent onto Yonge Street (going southbound) would proceed on a dedicated green arrow
 - Reduces conflicts with pedestrians crossing Yonge Street
 - No additional turn prohibitions are being proposed at this time
- **Pailton Crescent**
 - Add curb extensions by removing up to 3 parking spots at Pailton Crescent to shorten crossing distances, slow turning vehicles and make pedestrians more visible
- **Acacia Road**
 - Add curb extensions by removing up to 3 parking spots at Acacia Road to shorten crossing distances, slow turning vehicles and make pedestrians more visible, and shifting the parking from the west side of the road to the east side
- **Mount Pleasant Road & Davisville Avenue intersection**
 - Add traffic calming features, including measures to slow left turns, tighter corners to reduce turning speeds
 - Prohibit left turns from the laneway beside Mount Pleasant Parkette, next to Greenwood College School

The proposed project presented to the public through the consultation process for Improving Davisville Avenue also included a bikeway. A phased approach of this proposal, focused on road safety changes, is recommended. The bikeway component is not included in this report as further review is required. It is proposed that a bikeway be included in a future phase and implementation would be subject to approvals, including City Council. As part of the approval process, staff will report to the Infrastructure and Environment Committee of City Council on June 10. [A copy of the staff report is available here.](#)

Members of the public can arrange to speak or submit comments to the Committee.

How to Participate

If you want to speak at the meeting, you must contact the Infrastructure and Environment Committee Administrator at 416-392-4666 or iec@toronto.ca by 4:30 p.m. on June 9, 2026.

You can also submit comments by emailing the Committee at iec@toronto.ca. All communications and public submissions will become part of the public record and will be listed in the legislative record of the meeting.

You may also send comments by mail:

Infrastructure and Environment Committee
Attn: Committee Administrator
Toronto City Hall, Floor 10, West Tower
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Thank you,

The Improving Davisville Avenue project team



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November 24, 2025

Traffic Light Installation to Replace Pedestrian Crossover at Davisville Public School

To: Councillor Josh Matlow, City of Toronto
Cc: Ashley Curtis, General Manager, Toronto Transportation Services

Davisville Care Programme Inc. is a non-profit childcare centre located in the same building as Davisville Public School. We have been part of the community for over 45 years, serving children in infant, toddler, preschool, kindergarten, and school-age programs.

As requested by community members over the past years, we are expressing our support for the **prompt installation of a traffic light** to replace the pedestrian crossover on Davisville Avenue, across from the school.

As a reminder, there was an incident that occurred just east of the school at another pedestrian crossover on Davisville Avenue, across from June Rowlands Park, on May 2, 2024, where a child attending our program and their mother were struck by a vehicle.

A traffic light is the best solution to improve the safety of children crossing in front of Davisville Public School. Vehicles regularly speed through the crossover showing disregard for those on the road surface, including crossing guards, with many close calls.

Our centre operates from 7:30am to 6:00pm with most drop-offs and pick-ups occurring outside of crossing guard shifts. The risk is further heightened due to darkness in the early morning and late afternoon, from November to February. We also run programming during school PA days, March Break, and summer, when there is no crossing guard present.

We urge you to act swiftly to compel Toronto Transportation Services to proceed with the traffic light installation immediately. Every day that goes by places our community's most vulnerable members at risk.

Regards,

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Lizbeth Lascano
Director, Davisville Care Programme Inc.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Neil Jain', written over a horizontal line.

Neil Jain
Chair, Board of Directors, Davisville Care Programme Inc.