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Via e-mail: clerk@whitby.ca

May 28, 2021

RE: Report PL -30-21 (Whitby Anderson Estates Inc. File No. DEV-14-21 (SW-2021-04, Z-09-21))

Dear Reader,

As an advocacy group in support of safe cycling, Durham Region Cycling Coalition (DRCC) is a not-for-profit volunteer organization representing the six cycle clubs as well as cycling enthusiasts located in Durham Region.

As such, DRCC is pleased to have the opportunity to provide feedback relating to the above noted public meeting application scheduled for Monday, May 31, 2021

Upon review of the publicly posted material, DRCC notes the applicant has included under attachment # 5 an Active Transportation Map. As this project is located at the intersection of two primary established on-road cycle corridors within the Town of Whitby we would ask that the following be taken into consideration.

- Upgrade Anderson St. and Conlin Rd from an on-road identified “Cycle Route” with paved shoulders to a fully protected “Cycle Lane” with No Parking restrictions prior to the development start date.
 - Maintain a clean safe cycling road surface across both sections of roadway during all phases of construction.
 - Ensure clear site lines supporting cycling awareness is in place as construction activity enters and exits the proposed work site.



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Further to this, we see the applicant has planned a Multi Use Pathway (MUP) along the existing Hydro One corridor bordering the eastern limit of the project site.

With this new MUP exiting onto Conlin Road at the crest of a hill, our on-site review indicates conditions are being created which will result in extremely poor site lines for trail users interfacing with vehicle traffic upon arrival at Conlin Road.

In support of safety for all users, DRCC is recommending the addition of a fully marked and light controlled Mid-Block Crossing to be installed at the crest of the hill on Conlin Road providing much needed support to this new MUP.

Lastly, DRCC would appreciate being added to the Town of Whitby notification list for future public notifications specific to this application using our DRCC contact information.

On behalf of every-one at DRCC, thank you for taking time to consider our submission. As safe cycling advocates and community partners, we appreciate the applicant's approach in support of active transportation and are optimistic our recommendations will be seen to have merit for inclusion as this project unfolds.

Respectfully,

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