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Town of Ajax  
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Attention: Armi De Francia, Active Transportation Coordinator

Via E-Mail

February 02, 2024

**Re: Ajax 2024 Bike Facilities Open House Public Consultation**

Hi Armi,

On behalf of Durham Region Cycling Coalition (DRCC) and the cycling community at large, we thank you for the very informative open house and virtual presentation regarding the 2024 additions to the Town of Ajax's cycling network. The proposed improvements are extremely encouraging to which we would like to offer some specific observations that might be worthy of consideration.

1. Extend the new bike lanes on Formosa Ave. to tie in to the existing bike lanes on Audley Rd.
2. Lachlan Dr./ Hetttersley Dr. on-road facilities will terminate at Westney Rd. with four lanes of very busy traffic and no safe means to cross to the mall on the opposite side of Westney Rd. There is no cycling infrastructure on Westney Rd. at this location. Our recommendation would be not to construct the on-road facilities on Hetttersley Dr. until there are connecting facilities on Westney Rd.
3. Hickman Rd. / Michaelman Rd. connects Bayly St. to Pickering Beach Rd. At Bayly St., the MUP is on the opposite side of the road with no infrastructure in place to cross the 4-lanes of traffic. Similarly, there is no cycling infrastructure on Pickering Beach Rd.



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Perhaps this work, shared facilities, might be of more value after a safe way of crossing Bayley St. and cycling facilities are in place on Pickering Beach Rd.

On reviewing the Town's 2024 Budget, we note that only the proposed work on Mill St. and Beck Cres. have been included but other infrastructure, e.g., an MUP on Westney Rd. from Bayly St. to Lake Driveway are showing as line budget items.

Thank you again for the opportunity to pass comment and we look forward to future discussions as the Town moves forward.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Derek Lee", with a horizontal line underneath.

Derek Lee  
Director, Durham Region Cycling Coalition

C.C. Ron Lalonde, Executive Director, Durham Region Cycling Coalition