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Subject: Truck Route Master Plan Meeting Monday 29 November 2021

Hello:

My email comments regarding the TRMP are made from the lens of a Ward 3 resident. I have happily lived in Ward 3 for the last 15 years. There are 2 items that constantly annoy and frighten me.

1. large transport trucks in a residential environment.

- 2. speeding on Main St.
- (I'll leave the speeding for another day)

I fully recognize that trucks are very important; delivering food to retailers and products to/from the industrial area. Delivering food to retailers is not what I am concerned about. The big problem in my opinion is the high volume of large 5 axel and larger trucks using arterial and residential roads to access the industrial area in the north end. There is a steady stream of these monster trucks traversing Victoria St., Wellington St., Main St. and Cannon St. etc.

The question is, where are they coming from and going to, and how do they get to the industrial area. The answer is that a vast majority of them are coming to/from outside the city. They are effectively (and legally) using residential streets past homes, schools and hospitals etc. As a pedestrian, cyclist and driver, it is awful having these monsters in close proximity.

This map clearly illustrates that a great deal of people live on the proposed truck route. Please take careful notice of the population density around the 403, QEW, Linc/Redhill, Nikola Tesla/Burlington Sts.



To make a long story short, I firmly believe that these trucks should be accessing the industrial area via the highways (where there are no pedestrians, cyclists, schools, hospitals, homes) surrounding our city. 403, QEW, Linc/Redhill, Nikola Tesla/Burlington Sts.

Will it take these truck longer and perhaps use more fuel to get to their destination? Most likely yes. **So my question to you then is this:**

What is more important, saving trucking companies time and money OR vastly improving the guality of life for people of Ward 3.

There is also an important side benefit of getting these trucks off of the inner city streets. Far less wear and tear on the local roads that should not have to be built to substain them.

Bob Berberick (Sometimes the boss)