# **Written Submissions from Business Improvement Districts**

# Balogun, Danae

From: DeeAnn Mercier <deeannmercier@broadwayyxe.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020 3:38 PM

To: Balogun, Danae Cc: Magus, Jay

**Subject:** Re: Bicycle Bylaw - Follow Up on High Traffic Corridors

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Completed

Hello,

Children under 14 should be allowed to ride on the sidewalks of Broadway Ave. Especially because we have an elementary school and daycare located on it.

And to confirm, Broadway Ave is the high traffic corridor in the area.

Thanks, DeeAnn

## **Balogun, Danae**

From: Brent Penner <br/>
Sent: Brent Penner <br/>
Thursday, June 18, 2020 10:56 AM

To: Balogun, Danae

Cc: Magus, Jay; Clark, Charlie; Iwanchuk, Ann (City Councillor); Block, Cynthia (City

Councillor); Loewen, Mairin (City Councillor); Gersher, Sarina (City Councillor); Dubois, Bev (City Councillor); Hill, Darren (City Councillor); Jeffries, Zach (City Councillor); Davies, Troy (City Councillor); Donauer, Randy (City Councillor); Gough, Hilary (City

Councillor); DeeAnn Mercier; Randy Pshebylo

**Subject:** RE: Bicycle Bylaw - Follow Up on High Traffic Corridors

## Good morning Danae,

In reviewing what had been previously sent on this topic, I felt it best to resend the email sent to you and Jay Magus on March 12, 2020 as I don't think anything has changed. Below is the email sent on March 12, 2020 and I've included all City Councillors to ensure they understand our position and can follow-up with me directly should they have questions prior to their meeting.

The one comment I'll add is that should cycling be allowed for those under 14, it remains illegal for anyone, regardless of age, to skateboard anywhere in Downtown based on Schedule 5 of Bylaw 7200. It seems inherently contradictory to allow cycling on the sidewalk while prohibiting skateboarding (and I'm not advocating for a change to allow skateboarding on sidewalks in the district).

### Email from March 12, 2020:

Thanks for the conversation yesterday. Below please find some thoughts on the topic that can be used in your report.

When asked for our position on cycling on sidewalks, the Board of Management for Downtown Saskatoon indicated to retain the status quo—no cycling permitted on sidewalks regardless of age. We understand that message was conveyed to City Councillors on the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation, and they decided to proceed with an amendment to allow those under 13 to ride on sidewalks anywhere in the City. The board was made aware of this decision and we determined not to make a further presentation on the issue when it then went to City Council, and to accept that those 13 and under would be allowed to ride on the sidewalk. I understand that City Council then directed Administration to consult with BIDs to find out what the busiest pedestrian corridors were.

We certainly would have pedestrian corridors that are busy but others that are less busy become busier based on activities, events, and festivals that happen at those other locations from time to time. Our busiest pedestrian corridors are:

- 21<sup>st</sup> Street from Spadina to 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue from 19<sup>th</sup> Remai Modern to 23<sup>rd</sup> Street
- 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue from 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> Street
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue from Spadina to 24<sup>th</sup> Street
  - o often busy right outside City Hall with bus stops and people coming and going from City Hall for various reasons
  - o as office development continues at Parcel Y, there will be even more pedestrian activity along both 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenues
- Sidewalk along 22<sup>nd</sup> Street in front of TCU Place during events/concerts/conventions
- Sidewalks in front of hotels / restaurants often have a lot of come and go traffic which could lead to conflict with pedestrians and cyclists various locations throughout the district

Given that City Council has directed that those 13 and under will be able to ride on the sidewalk, I'm not sure it makes sense to allow cycling on some sidewalks and prohibit it on others. While not our initial choice, if City Council intends to

allow cycling on the sidewalk for those 13 and under, it seems to be an all or nothing proposition. We foresee challenges with communication and enforcement should it be legal on one street or part of one street, and illegal on others.

Let me know if this suffices for your what you need or if you need something on letterhead.

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## **Balogun, Danae**

From: Randy <randy@riversdale.ca>
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 4:53 PM

**To:** Balogun, Danae

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Councillor); Loewen, Mairin (City Councillor); Gersher, Sarina (City Councillor); Dubois, Bev (City Councillor); Hill, Darren (City Councillor); Jeffries, Zach (City Councillor); Davies, Troy (City Councillor); Donauer, Randy (City Councillor); Gough, Hilary (City

Councillor); 'DeeAnn Mercier'; 'Randy Pshebylo'

**Subject:** RE: Bicycle Bylaw - Follow Up on High Traffic Corridors

#### Hello Danae:

The Riversdale Business Improvement District Board of Management has again passed the motion: "As stated in our letter dated February 24, 2020, cyclists should not be permitted to ride on the sidewalks in the commercial areas of the RBID."

The spirit of the motion is to ensure ease of enforcement, understanding of the bylaw and geographic area, and most of all safety for pedestrians on the narrow sidewalks in front of businesses.

As such it is recommended that the High Traffic Corridors identified in Schedule No. 5; p. 48; The Traffic Bylaw #7200 respecting Skateboarding Prohibited in Restricted Areas be observed, as areas where cycling is not permitted on sidewalks where commercial zoning and businesses exist.

This would include 20th Street West from Idylwyld Drive to Avenue P; 19th street from Avenue A to Avenue C; 21st Street West from Idylwyld Drive to Avenue G; 200 and 300 blocks of Avenues A, B and C.

Thank you,

Randy Pshebylo for the RBID Board of Management

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# Balogun, Danae

From: Lloyd Moker <lloyd.moker@shaw.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 10:54 AM

**To:** Balogun, Danae

**Subject:** Re: Bicycle Bylaw - Follow Up on High Traffic Corridors

Good morning Danae....and thanks for the email.

I wanted to explain our situation that is somewhat different to the norm.

As you know, we have a multi-purpose path on the east side of Central Avenue from 107th to 112th on Central Avenue. We have also painted 'walk your bikes' on the sidewalk curb cuts on the west side of Central from 108th to 112th.

Therefore, children under the age of 14 should not be permitted to cycle on the WEST side of Central from 108th to 112th.

Lloyd

From: dan.matthews@33rd.ca

To: <u>Balogun, Danae</u>

**Subject:** Re: Bicycle Bylaw - Follow Up on High Traffic Corridors

**Date:** Monday, June 22, 2020 1:23:20 PM

Importance: High

### Hi Danae,

Sorry, I missed this earlier. We still don't have a unified response to this question. So no response for the committee. But I agree the section of 33rd identified is a high traffic area. Thanks Best,

Dan

Dan Matthews Executive Director 33rd Street BID