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To: Clerks Public <

**Subject:** Deputation of the Carlton Road traffic calming proposal

Markham, ON

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the proposed traffic calming measures on Carlton Road, which involve reducing the number of lanes from four to two.

While I understand the intention behind this proposal is to enhance road safety, I am worried about the potential negative impact on commute times, especially during rush hours. Reducing the lanes will likely exacerbate traffic congestion, causing significant delays for residents and commuters. Additionally, drivers, including Uber drivers and those using GPS or navigation apps like Waze, will likely be rerouted to Carlton Road as a bypass due to increased congestion on Highway 7 and Sixteen Avenue.

Instead of implementing this measure on Carlton Road, I believe it is crucial to address the underlying issue of traffic congestion on Highway 7 and Sixteen Avenue. Although these roads are not under the jurisdiction of the City of Markham, I strongly urge the city staff to collaborate with York Region to develop a comprehensive solution. Focusing on the main arteries will be more effective in improving overall traffic flow and safety for our community.

Implementing a band-aid solution on Carlton Road will not address the root cause of the traffic issues and may have unintended consequences, such as increased congestion and frustration for local drivers. I respectfully request that the city reconsider this proposal and work towards a more sustainable and effective approach to improving traffic conditions in our area.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I appreciate your consideration and look forward to a constructive resolution.

Sincerely, Felix Wong