Subject: Website Delegation Request - Ameen Walli-Attaei -

Hello Town Clerk's Staff,

Please note the following response to Delegate Request Application has been submitted at Thursday December 2nd 2021 4:23 PM with reference number 2021-12-02-251.

https://forms.milton.ca/Management/Response/View/f76aa163-6388-4ec1-a397-4a00a442d072

#### **Application Information**

First Name:

	Ameen
•	<b>Last Name</b> Walli-Attaei
•	Email Address:
•	Phone number:
•	Street Address:
•	<b>Town</b> Milton
•	Postal Code:
•	Are you representing a group?
•	Council Meeting Date

 Please indicate how you intend to interact with the online Council Meeting

Both audio and video

12/6/2021

#### Please describe the issue you intend to present:

I would like to share a presentation about biking improvements that the council should allocate a fraction of the budget for. Biking in Milton is not ideal and we can change that.

There are 5 problems for bikers in Milton I would like to discuss:

- 1. Lack of bike lights
- 2. Lack of education on road safety for pedestrians and cyclists
- 3. Lack of intersections designed with bikers in mind
- 4. Lack of road space dedicated to bikers
- 5. Lack of bike racks and parking

#### • Please describe specific actions you want Council to take:

Solutions to the 5 problems:

- 1. Provide bike lights to students
- 2. Educate on road and biking safety
- 3. Add cyclist minded intersections
- 4. Retrofit biking infrastructure onto roads
- 5. Add more bike racks and parking

## • Please provide your comments in support of or in opposition to the staff recommendation:

I support the majority of staff recommendations including investments in public transit and public facilities such as community centres and libraries.

I oppose investments in cars and car-centric infrastructure such as roads designed for cars and providing lots of free parking space on roads for cars.

- Optional: Upload the written submission that you wish to share with Council (single document, maximum 15 MB)
  - 1. <u>Biking Improvements for 2022 Budget Presentation.pdf [1.5 MB]</u>
- Do you give your permission to be audio and video recorded on the Town of Milton's live Council meeting stream?

Yes I give my permission



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# Biking Improvements in Milton Presented by a Milton biking enthusiast



### The Problem

- Milton continues to be a city designed for cars and as people are biking more, better biking infrastructure is needed
- I will share the FIVE most important solutions for problems bikers face in Milton that need funding from the 2022 Budget

# 1. Provide Bike Lights to Students

- Students make up a lot of the people in Milton who bike, and may not have bike lights
- One study found that cyclist visibility at night is increased by 67% with bike lights and 94% with reflectors



# 2. Educate on Road and Bike Safety



- Milton residents who do not have their driver's license or formal education on road safety are unfamiliar with rules of the road
- They need theoretical education into road signs, bicycle rules and laws, and the importance of defensiveness when sharing the road or passing through an intersection, especially as a pedestrian or as a biker

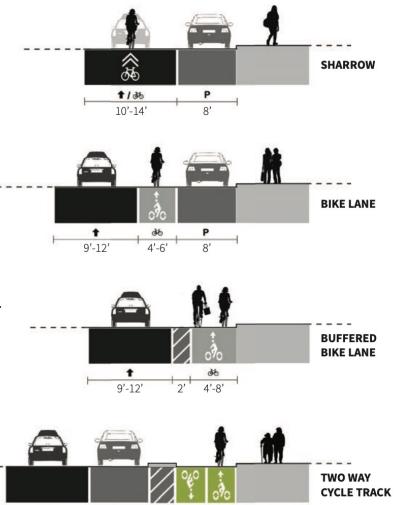
# 3. Add Cyclist Minded Intersections



- Cyclists using multi purpose paths do not want to "walk their bikes" through intersections
- They need protected connections through intersections to allow them to bike through at a green light



- Most of Milton was
  designed with a "carcentric" focus, so we
  NEED to improve
  infrastructure for bikers
- You can access a guide based on real case studies by the University of Oregon's Sustainable Cities Institute (SCI) called "Rethinking Streets for Bikes" here



## 5. Add More Bike Racks and Bike Parking



- Currently, locations in Milton with lots of bike parking got it as a result of pressure from riders when racks were filling up
- However, the city should proactively add bike parking that is accessible via safe and connected biking routes to promote biking



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