**CHNA Traffic Committee Report**

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The following are updates on the issues advanced by the CHNA Traffic Committee during the last month.

1. **CHNATraffic Issues Inventory**

An inventory of traffic issues was created and priorities identified based on 26 responses from CHNA members (some of which reflected concerns of other groups of residents as well). This CHNA Traffic Committee Inventory along with suggestions for how to address these problems was also submitted in March to the Kitchissippi Safe Streets Initiative. Seven areas of concern were prioritized by the Traffic Committee with multiple micro or local issues associated with each. The concept of neighbourhood ‘sectors’ naturally evolved that broadly align with these priority issues, which span from Holland to Bayswater and Melrose to the Queensway.

Implementation of micro-local ‘quick wins’ (e.g., speeding in front of Fairmont Park; traffic pulling out around stopped buses on Holland Avenue) will be closely aligned with a campaign to increase CHNA membership as it was agreed that this would lend credibility to neighbourhood traffic and parking concerns. Shelley Mullins, *CHNA Chair, Membership and Fundraising* and Traffic Committee member added to the robust discussion on the topic.

The CHNA Traffic Committee ‘40 km/h campaign’ has been effective in reducing speed on some of our streets recently.  One step toward having safer streets throughout the neighbourhood is to obtain support for changing the speed limit to 40 km/h on all streets. It is hoped that this ‘quick win’ will be reached in the coming months when street representatives will fan out to meet neighbours and request support through a 40km/h petition.  At the same time, residents will be asked to consider participating in micro-local traffic initiatives that were identified as part of the inventory.

In parallel to the ‘quick-wins’ anticipated at the micro level, the Traffic Committee also recommends the need to identify areas where a local traffic management study (as opposed to a comprehensive study) might be requested from the City. The Committee recognizes the challenges in implementing the latter and will create a sub-committee to begin the process to investigate making a formal request.

*WHEREAS The Traffic Committee recommends that an Area Traffic Management Study be conducted in the Civic Hospital neighbourhood*

*BE IT RESOLVED**That the CHNA approve a request for an Area Traffic Management Study of the Civic Hospital Neighbourhood.*