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**Subject:** some comments on bike lanes

Matthew wanted to share with you a concern about the Tenth Line bike lane at Britannia.

I got an e bike this summer and finally ventured a little further from home this weekend. I got to the Britannia multi use trail at Winston Churchill and headed east to Tenth Line to go north. As an aside this trail is in bad shape and I am asking the Region to fix some areas.

When I got to Tenth Line I found it difficult for me as a relatively new rider to access the lane on the road. The bike lane does not start right at the corner but a little north of it, there are no obvious markings (ie green paint) on the road as other cities have done to show the lane starts.

I stopped at the light and had to go into the intersection on my bike and then was in the travelled northbound lane to get into the actual bike lane. As there was turning traffic I felt rather vulnerable doing this maneuver and I am sure I would not be the only one...which may be why I see so many riding on the sidewalk along Tenth Line from the trail.

I am not sure what would help - I would have felt more secure had I been entering right onto the bike lane and if the bike lane was more clearly indicated to drivers.

I am sharing this with Councillor Fonseca and asking her to get some input from the committee on their feelings about this. There are many like me who are seniors, women and who are getting back on bikes for exercise after many years and this is who we need to design for according to all experts and in this case we are not.

Thanks

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