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Subject: RE: Road Safety Committee**From:** David Carroll**Sent:** Tuesday, November 1, 2022 11:36 AM**To:** Allyson D'Ovidio <allyson.dovidio@mississauga.ca>**Subject:** Road Safety Committee

Hello Allyson,


 Thank you.

I have been a resident of Mississauga for decades and I use the streets as a motorist, cyclist and pedestrian. I have noticed over the years that right turns on a red signal is becoming ever more dangerous for pedestrians. It seems more and more drivers are treating the red light as a "yield" sign and feel they need only slow to have a quick look to the left and then proceed. Pedestrians approaching the intersection from the driver's right are often not even noticed, putting the pedestrian at great risk. I attribute it to a lack of enforcement of the requirement to come to a complete stop behind the white line before turning right on a red. I believe a growing number of drivers really do think it's OK to roll through without stopping. Unfortunately, these drivers aren't checking for pedestrians about to cross in front of them from their right. The problem is exacerbated when cars have tinted side windows and eye-contact is difficult and in many cases impossible. In the past few months as a pedestrian, I have had some close calls where drivers who don't come to full stop have commenced their right turn on a red signal without even noticing me, or they notice me at the last second and stop well beyond the regulatory white stop line, encroaching into the crosswalk. The intersection I'm most familiar with where drivers routinely don't respect the "full stop on red prior to right turn" law and thereby posing a big risk to pedestrians is Burnhamthorpe and Creditview Road. I would like to make a suggestion that the City consider posting this intersection as "No right turn on red". There is ample right turn lane storage capacity to prevent undue congestion. If the City believes that isn't warranted, then I suggest increased police enforcement at this intersection and others like it and that a request be submitted to MTO to make it illegal for any aftermarket tinting of a motor vehicle's front seat side windows to once and for all avert the debate over how much aftermarket tint is permissible.

Thank you very much for hearing and considering my suggestions.