## Getting Around Midtown 🏃



Critical factors for success.



### **Overview**

Transportation in Suburbs is different than Urban areas.

Need to change your thinking to make Midtown work 🧠



### Problems to solve

- Car dependency simply doesn't work properly when population scales. Will result in gridlock.
- Prioritize fast transit and AT this means letting busses, rail, bikes and people move through traffic before cars are allowed.

Lack of bike infrastructure - not just in Midtown, but around the town. How do people get to Midtown?

The QEW Question - infrastructure that is going to cause traffic. You need a plan for this.

# Car Dependency (a)

Cars aren't people, so don't build for them. Build for people.

- → Remove parking minimums in Midtown.
- → Parking should be paid.
- → Have dedicated areas where no cars are allowed but other modes are (bikes, walking, busses, rail).





# Build for the Bike 500

Bikes are the king of urban mobility

- → Bike parking should be abundant and free.
- → Bike parking should be secure, indoor, sheltered and guarded.
- → Paint isn't infrastructure. Bike lanes should be separated and protected.



# **Prioritize AT in traffic** 503

People should go first. Period.

- → Standardize intersections to allow public transport and bikes first.
- → Bike parking should be abundant and free.
- → Busses, bikes and pedestrians should not be moving close to cars. Safety and noise problems.



## The QEW Question



The QEW will be a problem for Midtown. See it not as valuable infrastructure, but as **source of traffic.** 

- Create a dedicated plan for managing traffic off the **QEW** and on Trafalgar road.
- Negotiate with the province for getting funds to help deal with this.



# Thank you.

