

Nobody wants to make a commitment, contends reader

(Re: 'Old Aurora' resident questions turn restrictions, October 6)

In response to Aurora resident Steve Hartley's well thought out letter and suggestions regarding the never ending traffic woes of downtown Aurora, I would like to address one small part of his letter. Mr. Hartley states 'I gather there will be a right turn lane IN THE COMING MONTHS which will also help SB. (Traffic)?'.

Mr. Hartley, don't hold your breath on this one.

I've been jawing at this Council and previous councils for almost 20 years now and it's gotten me nowhere. Problem is that no one on council, including the Mayor, wants to make a decision!

I recently wrote a letter to The Auroran outlining the benefits of a right hand turn lane from southbound Yonge to westbound Wellington and the ease with which it could be installed, yet only two Councillors responded.

Councillor Mrakas has even expressed to me the 'frustration' that is experienced at Town Hall with no one wanting to commit to anything.

Here's a chance for this Council to make a real difference with the traffic problems of downtown Aurora, yet they continue to study the hell out of it and come up with more lame trial projects such as 'no turn restrictions' which will only cause more problems than they are already faced with.

Mr. Hartley's suggestion for eliminating just one parking spot from the northbound lanes on Yonge is an excellent idea, but don't expect Council to actually move to make this happen. I would estimate that eliminating one parking spot would take numerous Council meeting discussions and countless investigative studies done by staff, only to let the idea die a slow death.

Much like the right hand turn lane idea, this will probably happen when pigs fly!

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