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Subject: ENG - Memo - Prince Edward St & E 16th Ave Median - September 9, 2025

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Dear Mayor and Council,

Please see the attached memo from Jimmy Zammar. A short summary of the memo is as follows:

- New traffic calming median with bike and pedestrian refuges will be installed at Prince Edward St & E 16th Ave to reduce vehicle speeds, reduce vehicle volumes on Prince Edward bikeway, and improve crossing safety of E 16th Ave.
- Changes will include new crosswalk paint and signs, upgraded curb ramps, vehicle turning restrictions, and the removal of 5 on-street parking spaces; neighbourhood traffic impacts will be monitored post-installation.
- Staff have consulted with emergency services and nearby schools and hospital to confirm access needs
- Construction timeline is September-October 2025.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jimmy Zammar at 604-871-6880 or jimmy.zammar@vancouver.ca.

Thanks,
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MEMORANDUM

September 9, 2025

TO: Mayor and Council

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FROM: Jimmy Zammar
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SUBJECT: Prince Edward St & E 16th Ave Median

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This memo provides an overview of the upcoming installation of a median with bike and pedestrian refuges at Prince Edward St and E 16th Ave.

In 2023, staff reviewed conditions along the Prince Edward St bikeway from E 14th Ave to E King Edward Ave to assess traffic volumes and safety. The study found motor vehicle volumes exceeded Vancouver's All Ages and Abilities thresholds for a local street bikeway. As part of the evaluation, staff also considered resident feedback collected through Van 311 highlighting concerns for crossing E 16th Avenue as a pedestrian and a cyclist due to high vehicle speeds and volumes.

As part of our ongoing efforts to improve safety for all road users, staff plan to install a median at Prince Edward Street & E 16th Avenue. This project aims to enhance safety for people walking and cycling, addressing concerns we've consistently heard from community.

Project Highlights (see attached design diagram):

- Traffic calming median to reduce vehicle speeds and improve crossing safety with refuges for bikes and pedestrians
- Painted and signed crosswalk to increase visibility of pedestrians crossing E 16th Avenue

- Upgraded pedestrian curb ramps to improve accessibility
- Turning restrictions to reduce motor vehicle volumes on Prince Edward bikeway
- Removal of approximately 5 on-street parking spaces to accommodate safe vehicle movements around the median.

As this project introduces diversionary traffic calming measures, staff plan to monitor the neighbourhood surrounding the median post-implementation to determine if supplemental traffic calming measures are required.

The project team has met with Vancouver School Board staff and representatives from David Livingstone Elementary and Charles Tupper Secondary to understand their access and pickup/drop-off/parking needs. A circulation study confirmed that Prince Edward St between E 23rd Ave and E King Edward Ave is an important school access route. The project team has shared plans with staff from Mount Saint Joseph Hospital and BC Emergency Health Services and confirmed the design accommodates emergency access to the nearby hospital.

Staff will notify the surrounding community prior to construction, which is anticipated to begin in September/October 2025. Post-construction monitoring will be conducted to quickly respond to emerging issues.

Please contact me directly if you have any questions with regard to this work.



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