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**Subject:** Hydro Corridor Recreational Trail

The Hydro One corridor east of Ritson Rd. N. between Conlin Rd. E. and Taunton Rd. E. is long overdue for a recreational trail. The Official Plan long-term policies for growth include development of complete communities and facilitating active transportation, with provisions for the improvement of offroad active transportation infrastructure such as multi-use paths and trails.

Walkability is a key element of complete communities. I believe that park and trail connectivity benefits community members of all ages and abilities.

This hydro corridor should not have 'No Trespassing' signs that prevent public use of this space. Other municipalities, including Whitby, have successfully entered into lease arrangements and constructed multi-use paths in Hydro One corridors many years ago.

This offroad recreational trail linking 4 City of Oshawa parks was proposed a decade ago. It is time to begin the negotiations with Hydro One so a trail can be constructed. Density is certainly increasing in this area and offroad trails for pedestrians and cyclists need to be available as is offered in many other parts of Oshawa.

I would like to make a delegation to the appropriate Committee on this matter on Monday, Dec 5, 2022.

Best Regards,

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