

To: Tariq Khan

From: Antonio Santiago

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Subject: Traffic Cones Issue with the City of London

Please find below my proposed submission to the ITCAC Secretariat for input on the ITCAC Regular Meeting on June 19, 2024.

Issue: Traffic Cones on City Roads

The ITCAC Sub-committee on Vision Zero (Road Safety) is requesting information from the City of London on its policy on traffic cones on the roads of the City. While we are aware that they are utilized during construction, is it not the responsibility of the contractor to take care of them? Are they not supposed to haul them away once they are done using them?

At the moment there is a glaring example of this on Bradley Avenue. Cones are littered all over the road islands, sidewalks, corners, and there are even a few on private property. The city declared that work on the bike lanes has been completed a few weeks ago. Yet the cones are still there.

The cones can pose a safety hazard as when strong winds come, they can be toppled over onto the road and become a traffic hazard. I have had a personal experience with this, and at night too, when one of cones toppled over onto the road in front of the South London Community Pool on the north lane. It was right in the middle of the road, and it was a good thing that I saw it and stopped. I got out of my vehicle and hauled the cone back beside the sidewalk. Had I run into it, it could have caused serious damage to the undercarriage of my vehicle.

Furthermore, a few damaged cones are left lying around beside the sidewalk. They become an eyesore on an otherwise clean and litter-free roadside.

I have included some pictures of the actual situation on Bradley Avenue as an example.

For your review and consideration.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Chair, ITCAC Sub-committee on Vision Zero (Roadside Safety)



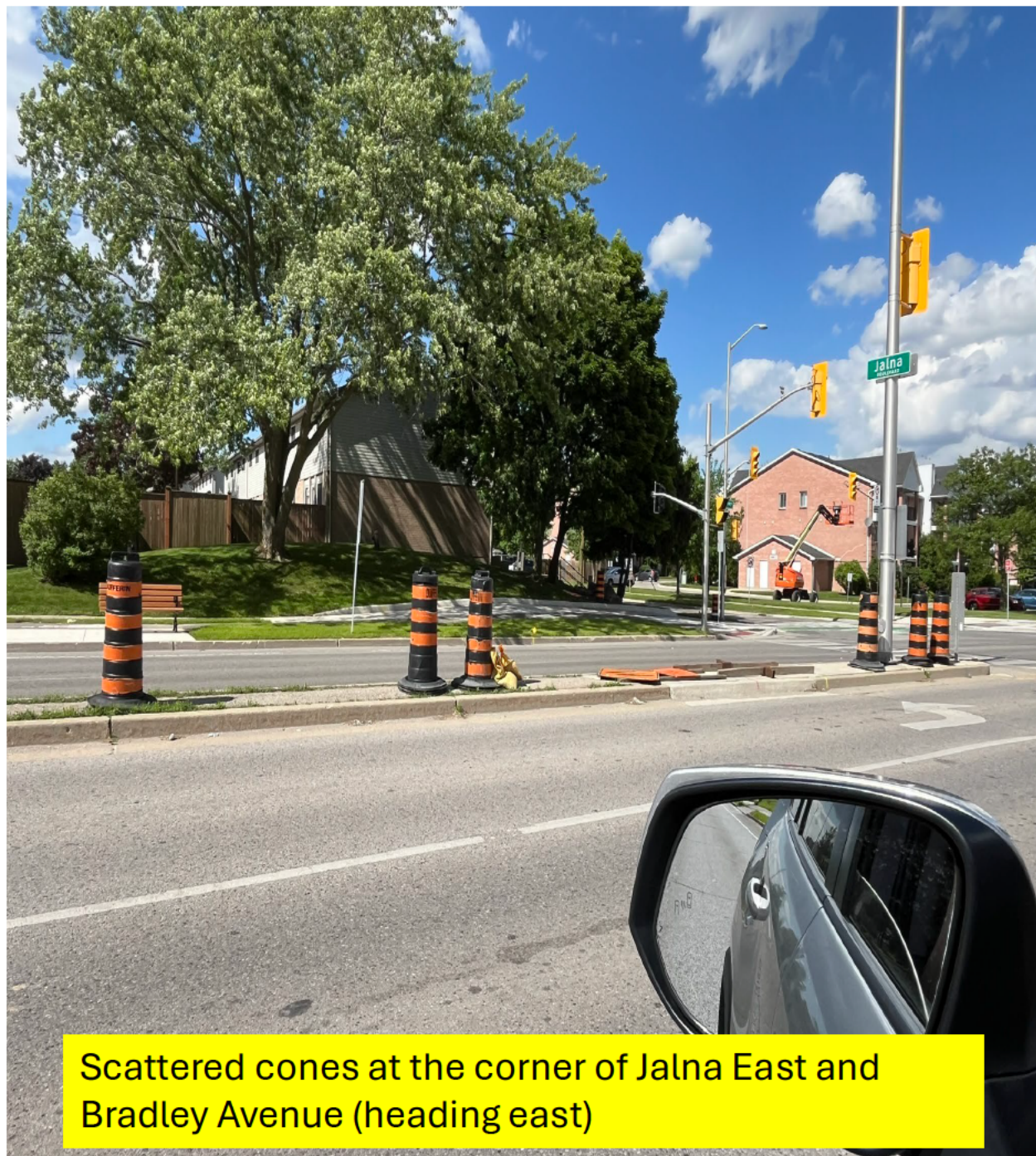
A broken cone fallen on the middle of the island



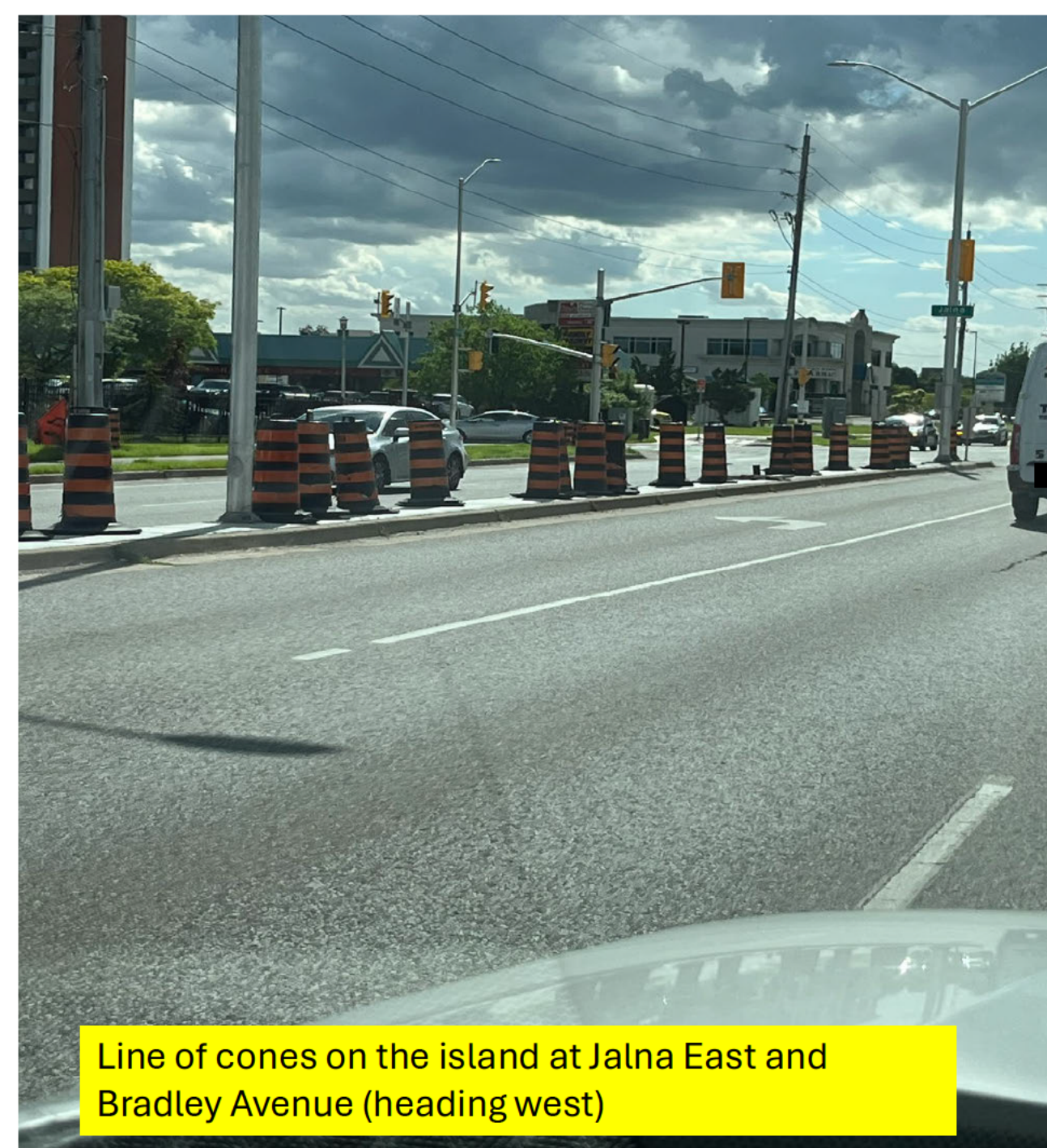
Bunch of cones at the turn off to the South London Community Pool.



Group of cones at the turn off to the South London Community Pool.



Scattered cones at the corner of Jalna East and Bradley Avenue (heading east)



Line of cones on the island at Jalna East and Bradley Avenue (heading west)



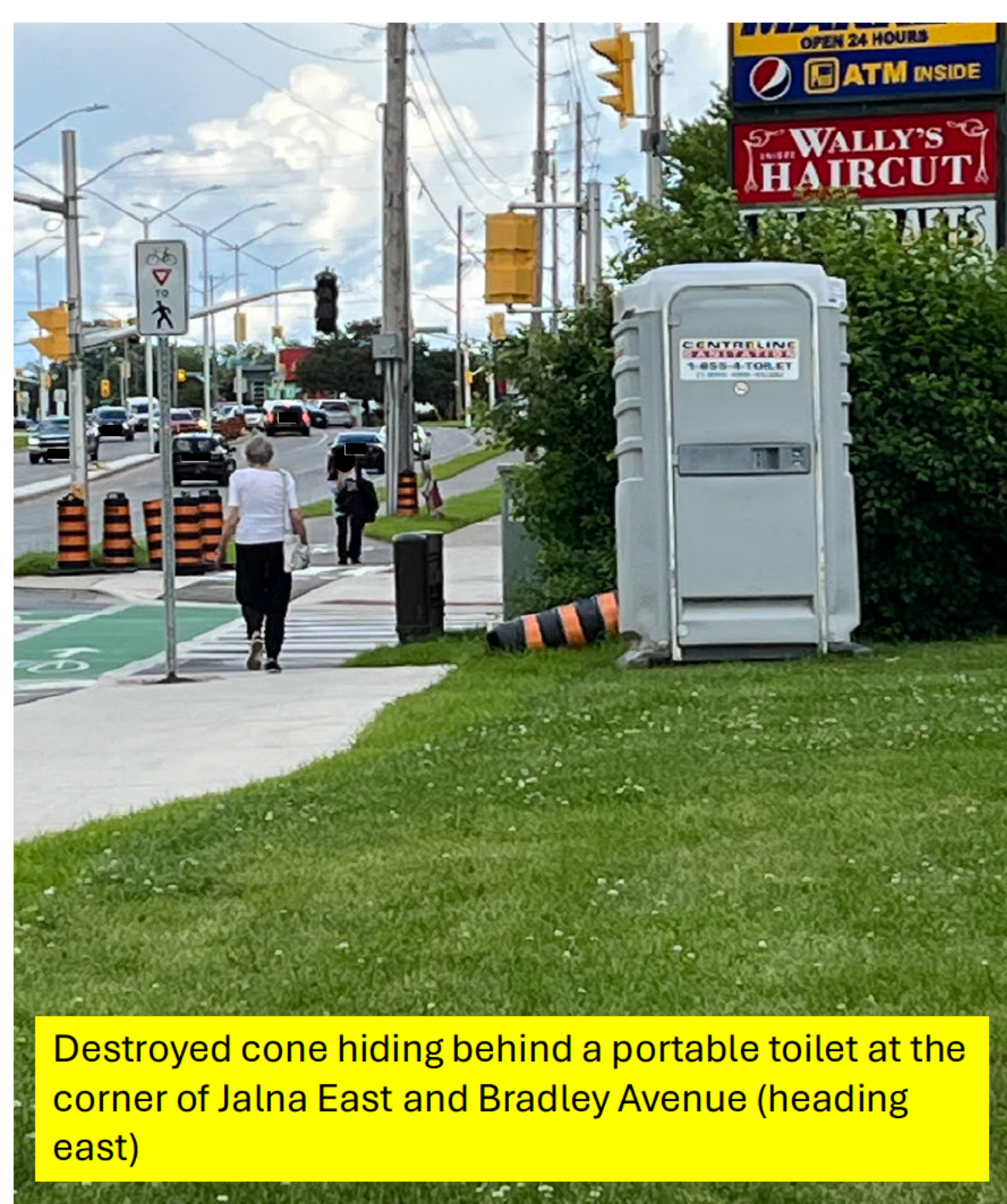
Duo of cones on private property (parking lot of Conway Drive condos) at the corner of Jalna West and Bradley Avenue (heading north)



Destroyed cone hiding behind electrical panel at the corner of Jalna East and Bradley Avenue (heading west)



Fallen cone on the verge of rolling off the island near the corner of Montgomery Road and Bradley Avenue (facing north)



Destroyed cone hiding behind a portable toilet at the corner of Jalna East and Bradley Avenue (heading east)



Battered cone resting in front of a steel container at the patio of Backdraft pub at the corner of Jalna East and Bradley Avenue



Broken cone lying beside the fence of 1414 Ernest Avenue along Bradley Avenue



Broken cones along the fence of 1414 Ernest Avenue along Bradley Avenue