

Tuesday May 24, 2016

Chair and Members
Civic Works Committee
300 Dufferin Ave
London, ON N6B 1Z2

Dear Colleagues,

As the Ward Councillors representing the areas that contain the Pride London parade route, we are writing to seek committee's endorsement of creating a rainbow crosswalk along the parade route to visibly celebrate Pride.

We had the intersections of Dundas St and Ontario St or Dufferin Ave and Wellington Rd in mind, as they are at the beginning and end of the parade route, but believe that the location should be chosen in consultation with Pride London organizers.

Several other cities in North America have created rainbow crosswalks in the past three years, including Ottawa, Calgary, Vancouver, Toronto, Edmonton, Kelowna, Victoria, Philadelphia, San Francisco and Seattle.

We believe that rainbow crosswalks will be a visible symbol of London's celebration of Pride. To that end, we are seeking committee's support for the following motion:

That Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to create a rainbow crosswalk in advance of the 2016 Pride London festival, the location of which will be determined in consultation with Pride London.

Best regards,

Tanya Park
Ward 13

Jesse Helmer
Ward 4