From: Ben Cowie (London Bicycle Cafe) **Sent:** Tuesday, March 19, 2019 7:21 AM

To: SPPC <sppc@london.ca>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Rapid transit submission

Dear Mayor and Council,

I'm not sure I can add anything new to this saga at this time, but with the options available, please support all five (electrified) BRT options when considering your vote this week.

As the op-ed I co-authored in the London Free Press with Western Active Transportation Society, London Cycle Link, and Velo Canada Bikes states, the need for active transportation infrastructure in London is urgent, affordable, and must be prioritized to address the threat of planetary change. However, an effective transit network is also essential for creating the walkable and bikeable cities of the future, therefore I urge you to support the well studied, well planned, well consulted BRT plans on the table.

All the best, Ben

Link to article: https://lfpress.com/opinion/columnists/protected-bike-lane-network-should-be-transit-priority/amp

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