DAVID GRANT – SUBMISSION – STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE AND RENEWAL AND PUBLIC WORKS – ITEM 6

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Delegation information
Committee: Council
Committee - council: Opposed to the recommendations
Committee - other: N/A
Agenda item (number and title): IRPW #6

Service inquiry: Register as a Delegation, Submit Comments in writing
Participation preference: Via Zoom
Comments in writing:

Comments in writing: IRPW #6 crosswalk lighting. For a century drivers and those using active transportation have been reminded with a red light when there is danger. They stop. Winnipeg's only remaining crossing points without such reminders have proven to be very dangerous. We need to add red lights to remind those crossing the road at our crosswalks. They would say DON'T WALK just like the lighted signs at current traffic control lights. LOW AMBER LIGHTS There is a short time as the current high lights go on, overhead, that they are out of the view of the driver. Adding low lights will help make drivers more aware of a brand-new amber. These lights only help for the second or two before the car arrives at the crosswalk. Do you have any objective analysis of crosswalk safety by a professional? Please let us see it. If not, why not? It would point to the decisions of those crossing. A red DON'T WALK sign would help. Records will show that I suggested to Councilors
years ago that we need a red lamp to deter pedestrians until vehicles have had a few seconds to stop. A red DON'T WALK light would face those considering the use of the crosswalk. A few seconds after the button is pushed, and cars had a chance to stop, the red light would go out. This can be done in conjunction with the new low-ambers. Without these red lamps, the person on foot has no reminder to watch for cars. Only these red lights can reduce crosswalk injuries.