Liveable Bayswater: Minutes from a February 5, 2015 Meeting with City Officials

George Laing, Kathy Kennedy and Rachel Eugster (resident of Bayswater north from the Hintonburg Community Association) met with Kerry-Lynn Mohr (city specialist, traffic assessment), Katie Bonnar from Councillor Leiper's Office and Anne Duggan, who is the point person for Councillor Leiper's Kitchissippi Safe Streets Working Group (Liveable Bayswater will be a member of this Working Group) on February 5, 2015. It was a very productive meeting, with Kerry-Lynn providing frank answers and great advice. For example, Kerry Lynn noted that she was more surprised by the volume of traffic on Bayswater than the speed.

A few highlights from the meeting:

- We had a good discussion about volume, speeds, intersections, accidents, and traffic calming and diversion measures;
- Kerry-Lynn is screening Bayswater into the list of streets/areas for an Area Traffic Management (ATM) study. (This does not mean we will get a study in the near future, but it does mean Bayswater will be considered. It can take many years to initiate a full ATM study. However, Liveable Bayswater residents can request a local traffic study on our street via a petition.)
- Kerry-Lynn is also looking at gathering additional traffic data on Bayswater on both sides of the Queensway and we discussed possible locations.
- There are some traffic calming measures that we can implement fairly quickly (flex sticks, street markings, signs, zebra crossings) and others (alternate block parking) that need the support of Bayswater residents (66% of residents to sign a petition similar to the 40K petition.) There are other measures (one-way streets, bulb outs, speed humps) that require an ATM.