City Council

Motion without Notice

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Extension of the Sheppard LRT to the Toronto Zoo - by Councillor Cho, seconded by Councillor Giambrone

-This item has been deemed urgent by the Chair

- Council has added this Motion to the agenda for debate.

Recommendations

Councillor Cho, seconded by Councillor Giambrone recommends that:

1. City Council request the TTC to consider Scarborough Community Council's position that the Sheppard East LRT be extended from Meadowvale Avenue to the Toronto Zoo.

Summary

The Toronto Zoo has several parking lots where thousands of cars could be parked. During the off season (roughly September to April) these parking lots are empty and even weekdays, during the on season, these parking lots are partially filled.

The extension of the Sheppard Avenue East LRT to the Toronto Zoo from Meadowvale and Sheppard Avenue East when the Sheppard Avenue East LRT reaches Meadowvale will undoubtedly:

- 1. Increase admission of the Toronto Zoo (currently annual admission to the Toronto Zoo is 1.3 million).
- 2. Increase ridership of TTC immensely.
- 3. Will result in a cleaner environment as fewer people will use their vehicles, and more vehicle users will become riders of TTC, as these people could park their cars at the Toronto Zoo parking lots.

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Background Information

Member Motion MM40.14 (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-23998.pdf)

