City Council

Motion without Notice

MM52.24	ACTION			Ward: 20, 27
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City of Toronto celebration of the 10th Anniversary of International Car Free Day on September 22, 2010 - by Councillor Giambrone, seconded by Councillor Rae

* Notice of this Motion has not been given. A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice.
* This Motion is subject to referral to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee. A two thirds vote is required to waive referral.
* This Motion has been deemed urgent.

Recommendations

Councillor Giambrone, seconded by Councillor Rae, recommends that

- 1. City Council approve road closures for Queens Park Crescent, East and West, North of Wellesley Street West to Charles Street West; and the partial closure of Wellesley Street West if required, on Wednesday, September 22, 2010, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for the 10th Anniversary of International Car Free Day celebration event in the City of Toronto.
- 2. City Council direct that the cost of barricades, insurance, road closure permits, Paid Duty Officers (PDO) be covered by existing Transportation Services and Toronto Environment Office 2010 Operating Budget.

Summary

The City of Toronto is proud of its environmental achievements through the Live Green Toronto initiatives under the current administration and is committed to on-going environmental leadership to ensure a clean and healthy environment for everyone who lives, works and visits Toronto.

For its 10th anniversary in 2010, International Car Free Day celebrates alternatives to using a car such as walking, biking, skating or taking public transit. Since 2000, Toronto City Council has endorsed this United Nations and European Commission clean air event. In 2005, the City of Toronto proclaimed September 22nd as Car Free Day in Toronto and since then the City has been working with Sierra Club of Canada, Ontario Chapter to organize the Toronto Car Free Day every September.

Toronto Car Free Day has allowed us to join over 1,500 towns and cities in more than 30 countries to raise awareness about low pollution ways of travelling around neighbourhoods and to and from work. Less use of the car will contribute to cleaner air and better public health.

(Submitted to City Council on August 25 and 26, 2010 as MM52.4)