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To: Members of the North York Community Council

Subject: Request for a report on the procedure to amend use of the Dufferin Street and Allen Road HOV lanes to include multi-passenger vehicles

BACKGROUND:

Currently Dufferin Street between Steeprock Drive/Overbrook Place and Finch Avenue West and William R. Allen Rd between Sheppard Avenue West and Steeprock Drive/Overbrook Place are designated as HOV lanes that are limited to Busses and Taxis but not other multi-passenger vehicles. Dufferin Street and Allen Road are heavily congested during peak hours and enabling all vehicles with multiple passengers in their vehicles would not only make more efficient use of the HOV lane but also encourage residents to carpool further reducing the number of vehicles on the road.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services to prepare a report by January 2014 on the procedure to amend the north-bound HOV lanes on Dufferin Street between Steeprock Drive/Overbrook Place and Finch Avenue West and William R. Allen Rd between Sheppard Avenue West and Steeprock Drive/Overbrook Place to include all multi-passenger vehicles.
2. That City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services to prepare a report by January 2014 on the procedure to amend the south-bound HOV lanes on Dufferin Street between Steeprock Drive/Overbrook Place and Finch Avenue West and William R. Allen Rd between Sheppard Avenue West and Steeprock Drive/Overbrook Place to include all multi-passenger vehicles.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

James Pasternak,
Councillor, Ward 10