Member Motion

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM7.4  ACTION  Ward: All

Improving Public Transit and Traffic Flow on Finch Avenue West - by Councillor Anthony Perruzza, seconded by Councillor Joe Mihevc

*Notice of this Motion has been given.
* This Motion is subject to referral to the Planning and Growth Management Committee. A two thirds vote is required to waive referral.

Recommendations
Councillor Anthony Perruzza, seconded by Councillor Joe Mihevc, recommends that:

1. City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services, in consultation with the Toronto Transit Commission, to report to the Planning and Growth Management Committee on future options that will improve rapid transit and vehicular traffic flow on Finch Avenue West; any and all future options need to ensure that travel times for the 40,000 plus users of the Finch 36 bus route and motorists are reduced; and further, that each option presented include a cost/benefit analysis.

Summary
The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Province of Ontario does not implement an LRT along Finch Avenue West with its associated street improvements, such as the widening of Finch Avenue West. The Finch Avenue West TTC service currently carries more than 40,000 passengers daily. It is broadly acknowledged that the service is at capacity and that other mobility strategies need to be developed. This motion requests City and TTC staff report to City Council in response to any MOU that is brought forward to ensure that public transit and street improvements are made, to enhance both transit and vehicular flow on Finch Avenue West.

(Submitted to City Council on April 12 and 13, 2011 as MM7.4)