Member Motion

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM3.1 ACTION Ward:All

Request to Enhance North York’s Snow Removal Standards - by Councillor Giorgio Mammoliti, seconded by Councillor Vincent Crisanti

* Notice of this Motion has been given.
* This Motion is subject to referral to the Executive Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.

Recommendations
Councillor Giorgio Mammoliti, seconded by Councillor Vincent Crisanti, recommends that:

1. City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services to report as part of the 2015 Operating Budget process on past snow removal service standards of the former municipality of North York, such report to include the feasibility of changing snow removal service standards in North York from their current levels to the same snow removal service standards that were in place in the former municipality of North York, so that residents in the northwest corner of the City receive primary and secondary snow removal service in a more timely manner.

Summary
In 2013 the City of Toronto experienced one the worst ice storms in recent history followed by a long and cold winter with many more snow falls. Residents in Ward 7 and Ward 1 placed many phone calls to 311 regarding the amount of time it took for primary and secondary plows to come service their streets. Often, the secondary plow (which clears the windrows) never came thus blocking the residents in their houses. To ensure the most effective snow removal response is being taken the City must revisit its current policy of snow removal standards with the goal of enhancing its current service standards to that which rivals service standards of the former municipality of North York.