

City Council**Notice of Motion**

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| MM8.2 | ACTION | | | Ward:All |
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A City-Wide Strategy for dealing with Cut-Throughs - by Councillor Shelley Carroll, seconded by Councillor Michelle Berardinetti

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

Recommendations

Councillor Shelley Carroll, seconded by Councillor Michelle Berardinetti, recommends that:

1. City Council request the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation to report back to the Parks and Environment Committee on the possibility of creating a coordinated and calendarized program to address the state of good repair of the City's many cut-throughs.

Summary

Many of our City's subdivisions were built during the 1950s and '60s. As the residential properties were being constructed, so too were cut-throughs, little walkways connecting residents to their local parks and schools.

Half a century later, many of these cut-throughs are at the natural end of their lifespan and appear as if they are orphaned spaces. Vegetation is significantly overgrown and the asphalt is cracked and uneven, creating challenges for seniors and people with disabilities.

There does not appear to be any systematic program in place to deal with the state of good repair of our cut-throughs. Instead, repairs seem to happen in reaction to complaints and on an ad hoc basis.

Having a more proactive and coordinated approach to these spaces will make a noticeable difference to residents. It will also likely lead to more effective budgeting of both money and staff time to address these issues.

Background Information (City Council)

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