Inter-Jurisdictional Task Force on Automated Vehicles - by Councillor Michelle Holland, seconded by Councillor Michael Thompson

* 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 Michelle Holland, seconded by Councillor Michael Thompson, recommends that:

1. City Council request the City Manager and the General Manager, Transportation Services to enter into dialogue with the Government of Canada, the Government of Ontario, other municipalities, academic institutions and private sector groups within the City of Toronto to work towards the establishment of a multi-jurisdictional task force with a mandate to prepare for the introduction and extensive use of automated vehicles by private users, the public and private sector entities.

Summary
It is widely accepted among experts in the transportation sector that automated vehicles will be the reality on our roadways within a relatively short time period. The range of applications for automated vehicle use is extensive-encompassing public transit, private vehicles and a wide array of service vehicles from solid waste collection to delivery platforms. Other jurisdictions, recognizing the importance of preparing for automated vehicles, have commenced to work collaboratively to prepare for this significant change in the transportation sector with concerns ranging from regulatory changes to insurance implications to disruption for those currently employed in the transportation area. An example is the State of Pennsylvania where the Department of Transportation is the chair agency of a task force that includes all levels of government, regulatory agencies, academics and private sector groups among others. These efforts reflect the importance of preparing for these technological changes in a collaborative and cooperative approach

Background Information (City Council)
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