

City Council

Motion without Notice

MM21.29	ACTION			Ward:All
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Strategy for Cleanliness Around Eglinton Crosstown Station Construction Sites - by Councillor Joe Mihevc, seconded by Councillor Josh Matlow

** Notice of this Motion has not been given. A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice.
* This Motion is subject to referral to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.
* This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

Recommendations

Councillor Joe Mihevc, seconded by Councillor Josh Matlow, recommends that:

1. City Council request Transportation Services, Solid Waste and applicable divisions, to create a strategy for cleanliness around Eglinton Crosstown station construction sites where the City is responsible for maintenance of the public realm.

Summary

Metrolinx is beginning station construction at various intersections across the 19-kilometre corridor of the Eglinton Crosstown LRT from Weston Road to Kennedy Road. This scale of construction has large impacts on businesses and the local surrounding neighbourhoods. Metrolinx and its contractor "Crosslinx Transit Solutions" are responsible for maintaining their immediate sites. As work moves into high gear, the City will be left with handling issues arising from the impact of the construction on neighbouring streetscapes. Some issues are: increased street sweeping, the need for snow removal, expansion of litter operations, and graffiti removal. These issues already surfaced during the tunnelling phase of construction and will be compounded hugely with station construction occurring at the same time along the whole corridor.

The Motion is urgent because of the time that will be required by staff to process the request, ie: assess their ability to carry out the expanded services with a cost estimate. Of highest concern is the need for snow removal (not just ploughing) to clear space on surrounding streets to accommodate increased traffic flow from diversion off of main streets. Staff will need to confirm the level of service that can be provided before the beginning of snow accumulation. Also, this Motion is not ward specific and is applicable to all Wards along the stretch of Eglinton and it is therefore anticipated that staff will need more time for this assessment.

Background Information (City Council)

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