Road Safety and Pavement Marking Pilot Project at the Bloor/Symington/Sterling Intersection - by Councillor Ana Bailão, seconded by Councillor Jaye Robinson

*This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

*This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

Recommendations

Councillor Ana Bailão, seconded by Councillor Jaye Robinson, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services to install grid pavement markings on a trial basis within the intersection of Bloor Street West, Sterling Road, and Symington Avenue.

Summary

The intersection at Bloor Street West, Sterling Road and Symington Avenue has been a challenge, even after several improvements have been made over the past eight years. These improvements have included: advanced turn signals, increased signal timing, additional signage and pavement markings. However, the overriding issue of drivers stopping in the middle of the intersection continues. When the intersection is blocked, pedestrians crossing are impeded by cars, traffic tends to back up and as a result motorists frustratingly honk their horns at all times of the day, which is disruptive to local residents.

The purpose of this Motion is to have Transportation Services install yellow cross-hatching pavement markings at this intersection on a trial basis. It is anticipated that these enhanced pavement markings will help to keep traffic flowing and will help keep this intersection clear for the safety of pedestrians and all road users.

This Motion is urgent in order to start the process by enacting a pilot project in 2018 and to allow for evaluation to take place over the course of 2019 to enhance pedestrian safety.

Background Information (City Council)

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