

City Council**Notice of Motion**

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Improving Traffic Flow Along the Avenue Road Bridge from Bombay Avenue to Wilson Avenue - by Councillor James Pasternak, seconded by Councillor Jonathan Tsao

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to referral to the North York Community Council. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

Recommendations

Councillor James Pasternak, seconded by Councillor Jonathan Tsao, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Ministry of Transportation, in consultation with the Director, Transportation Services, North York District, to secure paid duty police officers to assist with traffic flow northbound and southbound at the Avenue Road and Wilson Avenue intersection for the duration of the lane closures along the Avenue Road bridge.

Summary

Recently, the Ministry of Transportation began a project to reconstruct the Avenue Road bridge over Highway 401. As part of the work, the number of lanes on the bridge overpass has been reduced from three lanes to a single lane in each direction.

While this is a much needed project to completely rebuild an aging piece of infrastructure, the resulting lane closures have caused significant traffic delays in the northbound and southbound lanes along Avenue Road, specifically from Bombay Avenue to Wilson Avenue. Traffic is backing up at the Avenue Road and Wilson Intersection all the way onto Bombay Avenue into the Armour Heights neighbourhood.

Transportation Services staff are working to reduce delays through signal timings but it would also be beneficial to have paid duty police officers at the Avenue Road and Wilson Avenue intersection during peak hours to manage traffic flow as required.

Background Information (City Council)

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