

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM13.20	ACTION			Ward: All
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Measuring the impacts of increased density and development resulting from the Province's Bill 108 and the Provincial rejection of most of City's Midtown in Focus Plan in the Yonge and Eglinton Midtown community - by Councillor Mike Colle, seconded by Councillor Josh Matlow

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to referral to the Planning and Housing Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

Recommendations

Councillor Mike Colle, seconded by Councillor Josh Matlow, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning and the General Manager, Transportation Services, in consultation with the Toronto Transit Commission, to report back on the impact all these new development pressures will have on Toronto Transit Commission subway capacity at Eglinton Station, pedestrian safety issues, road capacity and traffic congestion impacts resulting from the higher levels of density and intensification directed by new Provincial Planning Legislation and Policies like Bill 108 and the rejection of most of the City's Midtown in Focus Plan.

Summary

The Yonge and Eglinton area in Midtown is one of Toronto's most intense growth areas facing unprecedented construction generated traffic pressures from the non-stop construction of high-rise residential and commercial towers, plus the truck traffic generated from the construction of the Eglinton Crosstown.

At present, the area houses up to 61,000 residents and 34,000 employees. The existing development pipeline in the area would result in the adding of an additional 25,000 residents. In addition, there will be significant increased population and development that will result from recent changes to Provincial Planning rules.

Given the passage of Bill 108 by the Province which demands much greater densities and easier development approvals as well as the Province's rejection of most of the Midtown in Focus Plan, which was the community driven City of Toronto plan to moderate hyper growth in the Yonge and Eglinton area, it is imperative that the impacts of these Provincial Planning rules be assessed to ensure there is adequate capacity at the Eglinton subway station, road capacity,

parking infrastructure and safe pedestrian mobility in this area given the combination of hyper construction, traffic activity that exists today and that will be generated by increased development with the passage of Bill 108 and the rejection of most of the Midtown in Focus Plan by the Province.

Background Information (City Council)

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