

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM14.12	ACTION			Ward: 8
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Improving air quality in the Dufferin Street Corridor between Eglinton Avenue West and Wilson Avenue - by Councillor Mike Colle, seconded by Councillor Mike Layton

** 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 Mike Colle, seconded by Councillor Mike Layton, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Toronto Transit Commission Board to request the Chief Executive Officer, Toronto Transit Commission to report on the options and feasibility of converting or replacing the diesel buses on the Dufferin 29 route to Zero Emissions Electric Buses in order to reduce carbon emissions and help improve air quality in the Dufferin Corridor.

Summary

Dufferin Street is one of Toronto's busiest and congested major arterial roads. The Dufferin Bus ranks eight on the Toronto Transit Commission bus ridership in the City carrying approximately 43,000 customers per weekday.

It is a key workplace and shopping-destination street with a number of big employers, which includes Dufferin Mall, Yorkdale Mall, COSTCO located just off Dufferin Street and it is a major gateway to Highway 401, East and West. Given the non-stop traffic gridlock, plus the unprecedented number of new high density residential and commercial development applications that are being brought forward for approval, it is crucial that further options be explored.

Background Information (City Council)

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