

City Council

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Excessive Vehicle Noise Locations Across the City of Toronto - by Councillor Paul Ainslie, seconded by Councillor Jennifer McKelvie

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

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

Recommendations

Councillor Paul Ainslie, seconded by Councillor Jennifer McKelvie, recommends that:

1. City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services, to contact the City of Edmonton about Edmonton's Vehicle Noise Enforcement Program, to discuss the background, challenges, successes, and financial implications of the Program and to report back to the Infrastructure and Environment Committee in the third quarter 2021 on acquiring the noise technology to implement a similar pilot project in Toronto, such report to include the current approach and actions being implemented to mitigate vehicle noise complaints.
2. City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services, to work with the Director, 311 Toronto, the Toronto Police Service and the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards, to identify areas across the City where chronic complaints of excessive vehicle noise have been reported.

Summary

In 2017, the City Council of Edmonton began work on identifying excessive noise locations and utilizing noise-capturing technology that triggers when noise levels exceeded 95 decibels and takes a picture of the vehicle in question for the purposes of mailing a warning or issuing a ticket to repeat noise offenders.

I would like your support in requesting staff to report back to the Infrastructure and Environment Committee on options to run a similar program here in Toronto, and to include in the report what success, challenges, and associated costs can be expected.

City of Edmonton report is here: <https://pub-edmonton.escribemeetings.com/filestream.ashx?DocumentId=81155>

Background Information (City Council)

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