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Member Motion

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM37.18	ACTION			Ward: All
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Expanding the Automated Speed Enforcement Program - by Councillor Paula Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Brad Bradford

** 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 Paula Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Brad Bradford, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services to include options for increasing the number of Automated Speed Enforcement Cameras in the upcoming report in the first quarter of 2022 on Automated Speed Enforcement, and to bring this forward through the 2022 budget process.
2. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services to include information in the report to the Infrastructure and Environment Committee in the first quarter of 2022 on the current selection system for Automated Speed Enforcement locations, how those sites are selected and by whom, and what role the Toronto Police Service's Vision Zero staff play in site selection, as well as updated statistics on tickets issued.

Summary

Council and Torontonians have embraced Vision Zero in an attempt to end the senseless tragedy of road deaths and serious injuries. Tragic crashes that kill loved ones, like the recent pedestrian fatality on O'Connor near Pepler Avenue, underscored the need to continue to strengthen this program.

Expanding the use of Automated Speed Enforcement would go a long way to making our roads safer. City staff have reported:

Data from the first set of locations shows the City's Automated Speed Enforcement program had a positive impact on driver behaviour where the speed cameras were placed, with a demonstrated reduction in speeding incidents and a reduction in repeat offenders.

A Toronto Medical Officer of Health report (Item 2015.HL5.6 entitled Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety in Toronto) on road safety in 2015 notes: "The speed of a vehicle has an impact on both the likelihood of a collision and the severity of injuries for those involved. A recent review of

the evidence of the health impact of reduced speeds (zones and limits) found a reduction in traffic collisions, injuries, traffic speed and volume, as well as improved perceptions of safety." The City has embraced Vision Zero in an attempt to end the senseless tragedy of road deaths and serious injuries. Expanding the use of Automated Speed Enforcement would be a wise investment in achieving that vision.

However with only two cameras per ward, and with the current staff directed program only deployed in School Zones, there is limited opportunity to deploy these cameras onto our most dangerous streets.

Background Information (City Council)

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<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2021/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-172676.pdf>