City Council

Notice of Motion

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Reducing Toronto Transit Commission Vehicle Delays for Streetcar and RapidTO Routes - by Councillor Chris Moise, seconded by Councillor Jon Burnside

- * 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 Chris Moise, seconded by Councillor Jon Burnside, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services, in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer, Toronto Transit Commission, to review opportunities to introduce or extend left turn prohibitions at appropriate intersections, or alternatively introduce advanced exclusive left turn phases at signalized intersections, in order to reduce the delays to streetcar and RapidTO services, and report back by the fourth quarter of 2023.

Summary

In recent months, Toronto has experienced an increased level of traffic gridlock. This does not only impact motor vehicles, but also other modes of transportation, especially public transportation.

It is important to attract riders back onto the TTC and our vast public network. Not only will this reduce the number of vehicles on the road, but it would encourage a wider array of transit options for commuters. Gridlock can be reduced and improved without major street reconstructions.

It is important for City Council to regularly study how traffic and public transportation can be improved in Toronto. With the introduction and potential future expansion of the RapidTO program, as well as increasing downtown gridlock, now is the time to explore solutions to reduce public transit delays while also improving the quality of service for our riders.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM6.17