

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM12.1	ACTION			Ward: 10
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Automated Traffic Enforcement on King Street - by Councillor Chris Moise, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ausma Malik

** 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.*

**A communication has been added to this Item.*

Recommendations

Councillor Chris Moise, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ausma Malik, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services, in consultation with the Toronto Transit Commission, the Toronto Police Service and the City Solicitor to review and report back to the Executive Committee in the second quarter of 2024 including:
 - a. an update on streetcar performance over the last five years;
 - b. suggested improvements to the public realm along King Street until the permanent capital project can be delivered; and
 - c. the feasibility of implementing automated traffic enforcement on the King Street Transit Priority Corridor, including details on what legislative amendments would be required to provincial legislation including, but not limited to, the Ontario Highway Traffic Act.

Summary

Since the King Street Transit Priority Corridor was made permanent in 2019, we have seen inconsistent enforcement of traffic regulations along the corridor. Drivers routinely disregard the regulations put in place, compromising the efficiency of this critical transit route.

The Toronto Police, especially in 51 and 52 Divisions, are challenged with bigger priorities that require their valuable time and effort. We recognize that they are committed to maintaining the safety and welfare of our city and do not have the capacity to monitor traffic on King Street continuously.

It is in this context that I propose the use of automated enforcement. This technology could assist in consistently enforcing our traffic regulations in priority corridors like King Street, without needing to divert police resources. I believe this Motion will significantly enhance both the safety and effectiveness of our transit system, and I look forward to your support in this initiative.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM12.1

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2023/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-240171.pdf>)

Communications (City Council)

(November 6, 2023) E-mail from George Bell (MM.Supp)