City Council

Motion without Notice

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Action to Address Speed Racing on Expressways - by Councillor Jon Burnside, seconded by Councillor Shelley Carroll

- * This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.
- * This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.

Recommendations

Councillor Jon Burnside, seconded by Councillor Shelley Carroll, recommends that:

- 1. City Council request that the Toronto Police Service Board request the Chief of Police to consider opportunities for collaborative action on speed racing on expressways and nearby streets with the City of Toronto Noise Team and other police services.
- 2. City Council request the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards to include the Don Valley Parkway in any upcoming enforcement and education initiatives by the City's Noise Team and Toronto Police on the acceptable noise levels for vehicles on Toronto roadways.

Summary

Recently, Councillor offices along the Don Valley Parkway and Highway 404 corridor have begun to receive a significant increase in complaints about loud overnight vehicle noise. This reckless behaviour has adverse health and safety impacts on communities and requires immediate action.

City Council has previously taken action that was effective in stemming the instances of noisy speed racing our expressways. In 2020, City Council adopted MM25.24 - Too Fast, Too Furious: Addressing Street Racing and in 2021, adopted MM34.38 - Too Fast, Too Furious 2 - More Action Against Stunt Driving and Speeding on the Don Valley Parkway.

As in the past, collaborative action between police services and the City is the most effective approach.

This motion is urgent since action is required in order for the Toronto Police Service Board to consider this item for the summer while the issue is most severe.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM31.28