

NOTICE OF MOTION

Planning for Curbside Management when Autonomous Vehicles Arrive

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SUMMARY:

Many Toronto Councillors already receive complaints about inadequate curbside loading space for both passengers and cargo. These complaints may be about to become much more intense. Around the world, autonomous vehicles are increasingly being used to deliver passengers and cargo. These vehicles can offer safety and cost advantages, but they can also exacerbate congestion and the competition for curb space.

Experts are therefore recommending that cities should start to plan how they will manage the curbside demands of autonomous vehicles.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Councillor Saxe recommends that:

1. City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services, to start developing a curbside management strategy that takes vehicles for hire and autonomous vehicles into account, and to include a progress update in a Transportation Services report to the Infrastructure and Environment Committee in 2027.

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