

Resolution for Southdown Area – Councillor Mullin

Whereas residents who live in the Southdown District have expressed concerns to the local Councillor about the increase in truck traffic in the area, in particular along Southdown Road and Royal Windsor Drive and the impacts that this traffic has on the community.

and Whereas the Southdown Employment Area of Mississauga is a designated employment area encompassing 290 businesses employing over 5800 people mainly in manufacturing, construction and utilities along with a growing share of transportation (Logistics);

and Whereas the Southdown Employment Area continues to attract investment interest to develop currently vacant properties including six potential sites that could lead to the development of over 1.3 million square feet of additional industrial space, supporting over \$2.5 million in new annual tax revenue to the City;

and Whereas businesses in the Southdown Employment Area are encouraged to further develop clean technology products and solutions and continue to transform their operations to align with sustainability objectives, including zero carbon emissions;

and Whereas the City has updated the Mississauga Official Plan and Zoning By-law to prohibit new truck terminals, transportation facilities, waste processing stations, waste transfer stations and composting facilities from establishing within the area;

and Whereas the Southdown Employment Area businesses have been working cooperatively with City to minimize impacts from truck traffic, dust, and mud-tracking, and to improve scheduling and modify operations to address congestion concerns;

and Whereas the City enacted an Idling Control By-law 0194-2009 to assist in the reduction of adverse health effects by reducing the unnecessary emission of carbon dioxide, nitrogen oxide, carbon monoxide, sulphur dioxide, volatile organic compounds and fine particulate matter.

and Whereas the City enforcement staff investigate all complaints related to the alleged violations of by-laws, work with those in violation to bring them into compliance, and proactively monitor areas where a substantive number of complaints are received to ensure continued compliance;

and Whereas the City is aware of the Balsillie Report (2010) recommendations and the Clarkson Airshed Study (2000-2009) which indicated that of the four local sectors studied (industry; vehicular traffic; residential; and miscellaneous) that vehicular traffic contributed between 50 and 70% of local pollution and that long range transport and sources outside of the Clarkson Airshed Study area accounted for about 15 – 60% of the measured values on any given day;

and Whereas the City continues to or has completed municipal-driven actions outlined in the Balsillie Report, including actions to reduce emissions and improve air quality, and participating on the airshed advisory committee;

and Whereas the City has adopted a Climate Change Action Plan which includes actions to work with the goods movement sector and local businesses to explore pilot projects that improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions;

Therefore it be resolved that:

The City's Environment Section and Economic Development Office (EDO) staff create a Business Sustainability Hub - a central resource hub for businesses to access information and programs to support the adoption of clean technologies and sustainable business practices;

AND the Environment Section and Economic Development Office (EDO) staff collaborate with stakeholders to assess the feasibility of creating a program to assist a cohort of small and medium sized businesses in the Southdown Employment Area to implement greenhouse gas emission reduction initiatives, with the aim of improving air quality and a reduction in noise;

AND the Enforcement Division staff proactively monitor the Southdown Employment Area and respond to violations related to the City's Traffic, Property Standards and Zoning By-laws through education, when possible, and through formal enforcement, when necessary;

AND the Planning and Building staff be directed to prepare and present to Council an amendment to the Site Plan Control By-law to subject the few properties in the Southdown District that are not currently subject to site plan control and that the Planning and Building Department request the submission of Traffic Impact Studies in support of site plan applications; and

The Ward 2 Councillor's office be notified of new development applications and building permits upon submission for significant new buildings and of any preliminary discussions with staff in respect to large potential developments.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pat Mullin". The signature is written in dark ink on a white background.