

**City Council**

City of Mississauga  
300 City Centre Dr  
Mississauga, ON

October 23, 2023

**Re: Shared Micro-Mobility Program (Item 11.1)**

Dear Mississauga City Council Members,

The Atmospheric Fund (TAF) is a regional climate agency based in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) supporting a net-zero future. TAF is pleased to see Mississauga moving forward with its Shared Micro-Mobility Program, set for implementation in Q2 2024. The program supports the transition away from fossil fuel vehicles and will help to reduce traffic congestion, resulting in reduced greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. The program follows recommendations from Mississauga's 2019 Climate Change Action Plan and will support the city in achieving its climate goals of becoming a net-zero carbon community by 2050.

The transportation sector was responsible for [33% of Mississauga's GHG emissions](#) in 2021. Given that shorter-distance trips (under 5km) make up [approximately 40% of total trips](#) in Mississauga, micro-mobility presents a perfect opportunity to displace the emissions from these shorter trips with a sustainable alternative. We extend our full support to the City's proposal to introduce a hybrid system of docked and dockless, privately owned and operated system of 900 e-scooters and 300 e-bikes. We are glad that Mississauga staff have thoroughly evaluated the necessary safety and accessibility requirements as part of this program.

We are also delighted to observe a strong commitment to equity in the design and implementation of this plan. We commend the deliberate application of an equity lens, which not only guides the selection of e-bike and e-scooter station locations but also serves to foster greater employment accessibility for low-income residents dependent on public transit or active transportation for job opportunities.

Overall, TAF is very supportive of Mississauga's proposed Shared Micro-Mobility Program and **we strongly recommend that City Council approve it for implementation in Q2 2024**. Embracing this innovative transportation solution will contribute to emissions reductions in Mississauga, and help the municipality achieve its climate goals.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "V. K. M.", is written over a light blue circular stamp.

Bryan Purcell  
VP Policy & Programs, The Atmospheric Fund

**About The Atmospheric Fund**

*The Atmospheric Fund (TAF) is a regional climate agency that invests in low-carbon solutions for the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) and helps scale them up for broad implementation. We are experienced leaders and collaborate with stakeholders in the private, public, and non-profit sectors who have ideas and opportunities for reducing carbon emissions. Supported by endowment funds, we advance the most promising concepts by investing, providing grants, influencing policies, and running programs. We're particularly interested in ideas that offer benefits in addition to carbon reduction such as improving people's health, creating local jobs, boosting urban resiliency, and contributing to a fair society.*