

Notice of Motion: Addressing Golf Ball Safety Hazards

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Councillor Dipika Damerla

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Subject: Addressing Golf Ball Safety Hazards in Residential Neighbourhoods Adjacent to Golf Courses

WHEREAS residents living adjacent to the Credit Valley Golf and Country Club have reported golf balls routinely landing in their front and back yards;

AND WHEREAS these stray golf balls have damaged property — including shattering wind screens — and in at least one incident, narrowly missed striking a resident in the head;

AND WHEREAS the current safety netting in place at the Credit Valley Golf Club has proven inadequate, as golf balls continue to pass through the mesh, creating an ongoing safety hazard;

AND WHEREAS residents have a reasonable expectation to enjoy their homes and yards without fear of injury or property damage caused by neighbouring recreational uses;

AND WHEREAS the City of Mississauga currently lacks regulatory authority to mandate the use of heavier-gauge netting or to enforce safety standards for golf courses on private land;

AND WHEREAS the nearby City-owned BraeBen Golf Course has been required under the Highway Traffic Act to install thicker netting to protect adjacent roadways — highlighting a regulatory inconsistency that leaves residents less protected than roads;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to investigate and report back on enforcement options — including the development of a new by-law — to require golf courses located near residential areas to implement and maintain adequate safety measures, including higher or heavier-gauge netting where needed;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff consult with affected residents and representatives of the Credit Valley Golf and Country Club to explore practical and immediate mitigation measures that put public safety first.



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