

Moved by: Councillor Dipika Damerla

Seconded by: Councillor Brad Butt

Motion: Complimentary MiWay Transit for Members of the Canadian Armed Forces and Veterans

WHEREAS members of the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF), including Reservists are valued members of Canada;

AND WHEREAS many serving members, particularly Reservists, are facing increasing financial pressures due to the rising cost of living in Mississauga and the broader region, while balancing military duties, civilian employment, and family responsibilities;

AND WHEREAS members of the Canadian Armed Forces commuting from Mississauga to Moss Park Armoury or Fort York Armoury benefit from complimentary travel on MiWay as a result of the One Fare Program, while the same members commuting entirely within Mississauga to access The Toronto Scottish Regiment Armoury are required to pay the full MiWay fare;

AND WHEREAS GO Transit and the UP Express currently provide complimentary, year-round transit to eligible members of the Canadian Armed Forces and veterans across the region, demonstrating a clear precedent for transit support for military personnel;

AND WHEREAS providing complimentary MiWay transit for CAF members and veterans would be a tangible demonstration of the City of Mississauga's appreciation for their service and would align with broader regional efforts to recognize their contributions and sacrifices;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The City of Mississauga approve, in principle, the provision of complimentary access to MiWay for all active Regular and Reserve members of the Canadian Armed Forces and for veterans, upon presentation of valid military identification, CFOne card, or other proof of service as determined by the City.
2. Staff be directed to develop and report back to Council with an implementation plan for this program, including eligibility criteria and acceptable forms of identification.
3. The Mayor, on behalf of Council, write to the Minister of National Defence, local Canadian Armed Forces units, and veterans' organizations serving Mississauga to advise them of this initiative and to reaffirm the City's ongoing support for those who serve.

Date: April 2, 2026
Councillor Dipika Damerla
Ward 7