

Community and Operations Services Committee – September 18, 2023

Response to the Request to the Province to Utilize the 407 as an Alternate Route for Aggregate Trucks (Ward 1)

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That the Community and Operations Services Committee recommend to City Council:

Whereas at the March 20, 2023 meeting of the Community and Operations Services Committee, Item CO-23-14 was considered concerning Request to the Province to Utilize the 407 as an Alternate Route for Aggregate Trucks in response to the Municipality of Clarington's Resolution #JC-022-23 to divert heavy trucks to the 407; and,

Whereas Item CO-23-14 was referred to staff:

- “That to limit the heavy truck traffic and potential traffic related issues on Harmony Road, that a No Heavy Traffic prohibition on Harmony Road be implemented and enforced from the 407 Highway south to Winchester Road;
- That this resolution be forwarded to the Ministry of Transportation and Local MPPs” and,

Whereas City staff have reviewed the request and confirmed that this section of Harmony Road is under Provincial jurisdiction; and,

Whereas Council does not have the authority to implement No Heavy Traffic prohibition on this section of Harmony Road; and,

Whereas the diversion of heavy trucks to the 407 does not respect the neighbourhoods and safety of Oshawa residents;

Therefore be it resolved that the Community and Operations Services Committee recommend to City Council:

1. That pursuant to CO-23-45, dated September 18, 2023, concerning Response to the Request to the Province to Utilize the 407 as an Alternate Route for Aggregate Trucks, Ministry of Transportation be requested to implement a No Heavy Traffic prohibition on Harmony Road and enforced from the 407 highway south to Winchester Road; and,
2. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Ford, Durham MPPs and Durham Municipalities.