

Motion

Agenda Number: 20.1

Date: October 26, 2023

Moved by Councillor Russo

Seconded by Councillor Toor

Whereas efficient movement of goods and traffic is critical to the success of the businesses and residents of Peel;

And whereas, the Region of Peel is one of the country's most important marketplaces for goods movement industries, where slightly more than half of the 951,000 weekly commercial vehicle trips in Ontario, begin, end or travel through;

And whereas, extensive logistic uses are planned for the employment lands in the Highway 427 Industrial Secondary Plan Area (SP47), which is estimated to accommodate almost 16,000 new jobs by 2051;

And whereas, the Town of Caledon is planned to accommodate approximately 93,000 new jobs by 2051, many of which will be located directly north of SP47 in south Bolton;

And whereas, the servicing and success of the employment lands in SP47 and the Bolton industrial area are dependent on strong connectivity to the provincial highway network, in particular Highway 427;

And whereas, the proposed new Regional A2 arterial road will serve to connect the proposed employment lands in SP47 and Bolton to Highway 427, as well as provide an alternative route to existing roadways like Highway 50, Coleraine Drive and the intersection of those roads with the Highway 427 extension;

And whereas, Highway 50 corridor is nearing capacity and the intersection of Highway 50 and Major Mackenzie/Coleraine Drive is currently functioning below the established level of service resulting in traffic queuing and congestion on a daily basis and further generating safety considerations;

And whereas, the proposed new Regional A2 arterial road and the proposed road improvements will fall under the jurisdiction of the Region of Peel and the City of Brampton;

Therefore be it resolved:

1. That staff be directed to work with the City of Brampton and the Town of Caledon to examine opportunities to expedite the planning and construction of the roads in SP47; and
2. That staff be directed to work with area employment land landowners to explore opportunities to phase development and expeditiously bring about the ultimate construction of the SP47 road network including expediting land expropriation, and alternative financing arrangements; and
3. That Regional staff work with Town of Caledon staff to support the future review of A2 being extended north of Mayfield Road.