COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - SEPTEMBER 6, 2005

RE: STEELES AVENUE BETWEEN HILDA AND BATHURST

Recommendation

The Intergovernmental Relations Committee recommends that Vaughan City Council convey to the City of Toronto and to York Region our serious concerns regarding the current condition of Steeles Avenue and the need to move rapidly to expand and rebuild this section of the street.

Economic Impact

Nil

Purpose

To alert both the City of Toronto, the owner of this section of Steeles and the Region, of our growing concern over the state of the road and the need to have it rebuilt.

Background - Analysis and Options

Steeles Ave West, from approximately Hilda on the east to Bathurst on the West continues to deteriorate. For a number of years running It has been declared one of the worst stretches of road in Ontario. In its current condition the road has a negative impact on business and with increasing automobile and transit traffic, it has become a significant bottleneck for the City of Vaughan. Citizens who live close to this part of Vaughan complain both of damage to their vehicles and the increased noise that results from a broken down roadway.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

Conclusion

In order to make the responsible governments aware of our increasing concern to make the rebuilding of Steeles a priority project, the City of Vaughan must express it urgency.

Attachments

None

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Respectfully submitted,

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