

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - OCTOBER 1, 2007

DEDICATED LEFT TURN LANE ATKINSON AVENUE AND EDMUND SEAGER DRIVE

Councillor Shefman recommends:

That staff investigate the feasibility of installing a dedicated left turn lane for southbound traffic on Atkinson at Edmund Seager Drive and report to Committee of the Whole with the findings as soon as possible.

Economic Impact

To be determined in staff review.

Communication Plan

None required

Purpose

To improve traffic circulation on Atkinson Avenue by providing for a dedicated left turn lane at Edmund Seager Drive.

Background - Analysis and Options

The current configuration of the intersection while providing a northbound left turn lane does not provide for a dedicated southbound left turn lane. Southbound traffic wishing to turn left on Edmund Seager Drive must wait in a through lane for traffic to clear in order to complete the left turn. This impedes through traffic and creates queuing under some conditions. There is additional pavement width available at this intersection.

In order to address the issue, staff could review the traffic operation at the intersection and develop alternations for provision of a left turn lane.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council.

Regional Implications

None

Conclusion

Implementation of a southbound left turn lane on Atkinson Avenue at Edmund Seager Drive will improve traffic circulation in the area.

Attachments

None

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Respectfully submitted,

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