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BY EMAIL

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Re: Determining or Relocating Bus Stops in the Town of Essex

At its Regular Council Meeting held on December 2, 2024, Council discussed the importance of ensuring the safety of students travelling to and from school. Council further discussed and shared the opinion of many residents concerning dangerous bus stops such as those in high traffic areas where children are waiting and walking alongside busy roads. Council urges the Student Transportation Services of Windsor-Essex to consult with administration for the Town of Essex when determining the placement or relocation of school bus stops in the Municipality of the Town of Essex to align with local infrastructure and traffic conditions to ensure safe bus stop locations. Council of the Town of Essex requests that the school boards receiving this letter and Student Transportation Services of Windsor-Essex provide the Town with their criteria in determining or relocating bus stops.



Council accordingly passed the following resolution:

R24-12-551

Moved By Councillor Matyi

Seconded By Councillor Allard

Whereas, ensuring the safety of students traveling to and from school is a shared priority for municipalities, school boards, and Student Transportation Services (*STS*) of Windsor-Essex; and

Whereas municipalities possess valuable local knowledge regarding road safety, traffic patterns, and infrastructure conditions that can aid in determining safe and effective school bus stop locations; and

Whereas the placement or relocation of school bus stops without municipal consultation may inadvertently create safety concerns for students and families.

Be it resolved:

That the Town of Essex direct Administration to prepare and send a formal letter to the relevant school boards and Student Transportation Services of Windsor-Essex, requesting that municipalities be consulted when determining or relocating school bus stops within their jurisdiction, following the completion of the school board's internal review process;

That the Town of Essex request that the relevant school boards and Student Transportation Services of Windsor-Essex provide the Town with information outlining the criteria for determining or relocating school bus stops; and

That the letter emphasize the importance of collaboration to ensure school bus stop decisions prioritize student safety and align with local infrastructure and traffic considerations.



Carried

We are looking to the Student Transportation Services of Windsor-Essex and the relevant school boards to move forward in addressing the Towns concerns by outlining the criteria in determining or relocating bus stops in an appropriate and expeditious manner.

Thank you for taking the time to answer our questions. In such regard, we look forward to receiving a response from you.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Malandrucolo".

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