

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MILTON

NOTICE OF MOTION

INTRODUCTION DATE: November 13, 2023

SUBJECT: Review of Warrants for Crossing Guards

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REQUESTED BY: Councillor Tesser Derksen

SECONDED BY: Councillor Ali

WHEREAS, through its *School Crossing Guards Policy*, the Town of Milton currently uses specific warrants to determine the installing or removal of crossing guards at pedestrian crosswalks, crossovers, and high pedestrian areas, such as intersections around schools;

AND WHEREAS, each year, there are incidents of vehicle-pedestrian collisions in school zones and on school walking routes, typically involving minors being struck by vehicles;

AND WHEREAS the removal of crossing guards pursuant to the current warrants may result in a reduction of safety for children and pedestrians in school zones and their immediate areas, and may result in a decrease in confidence that caregivers and students have in pedestrian safety;

AND WHEREAS the current warrants being used to determine the need for crossing guards at particular locations may not be adequate to meet the threshold for safety that our community expects and deserves;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff undertake a review of the Town's <u>Placement of School Crossing Guards Policy</u> and report back to Council in Q2 2024 with recommendations on a new warrant methodology for justifying placement of crossing guards at locations within

school zones and in the immediate vicinity of school zones (such radius or vicinity to be included in the recommendations brought forward).

AND THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT staff explore options for shared funding opportunities with school boards to help offset the costs of hiring additional crossing guards.