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Region insists Province must pay for highways

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"We're not paying for it," was a sentiment expressed in the latest resolution to be sent to Minister of Transportation on the proposed new provincial highways through Halton Hills.

At last week's meeting, Halton Regional Council unanimously endorsed a Mayor Rick Bonnette resolution telling the GTA West Corridor Study Team to stick to the 2031 timeframe, and if that timeline is extended, then relook at all the options.

The resolution also firmly stated Halton Region "has clearly articulated that they will not be financially responsible for a north-south link from northwest Brampton to southeast Halton Hills."

The resolution reflects a similar one that Halton Hills council approved at an earlier meeting.

The latest round of consultation by the GTA West Corridor planning team is focusing on three alternatives:

- The preferred Provincial option— two new highways— the east-west 4-3 and the north-south 4-2 through south Halton Hills, plus a 10-lane Hwy. 401
- Greater than 10-lane Hwy. 401 with the 4-2 hwy ending at a larger 401/407 interchange,
- The 4-3 highway throughout Halton Hills with a "municipal connecting link" (the former 4-2 Hwy.).

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Drumming up some fun

Grade 1-2 students (from left) Aiden Longmead, Annalise Zomer, Matthew Swant and Abby Kroezen, were among the students at Halton Hills Christian School who were able to make loud noises, all in the pursuit of education Tuesday. The

kids enjoyed a drumming session with Jim Perry, known as The Guelph Drum Guy, as he taught them basic techniques, showed them various drums from distant countries, and above all, a whole lot of fun making noise. Photo by Ted Brown

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