

Resolution could see Hwy. 7 traffic studied

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province to study truck traffic along Highway 7 for the Town of Halton Hills.

"I move that, in the opinion of this House, the Minister of Transportation should partner with the town of Halton Hills to develop a long-term transportation strategy for the town, including a review of the need for a Highway 7 Acton bypass, taking into account the need for improved safety, efficiency, and economic development opportunities," began Arnott in his presentation," began Arnott's address.

The town has been highlighting the need to address truck traffic in Halton Hills for years, and recently launched a trucking study of its own to that end.

"Highway 7 is a provincially owned road and a preferred east/west truck route between aggregate resource areas and growth sites in Brampton and north Toronto. One of the primary issues is the volume of truck traffic and marrying the need for the movement of goods and services with maintaining the local community quality of life including safe and pedestrian-friendly routes," added the town in its release.

Arnott received unanimous, bipartisan support for his resolution, focusing on Halton Hills' unique challenges within the GTA during his 12-minute presentation to the legislative assembly.

"As part of the region of Halton, we are officially considered to be part of the Greater Toronto Area, or GTA. But we are not Toronto. We are unique. We have our own issues, challenges and opportunities that are different than those faced by the city. We may be "in" the GTA, but many of us would say that we are not "of" the GTA," said Arnott.

The transportation issues facing Halton Hills are indeed unique and many. In addition to truck traffic on Highway 7, Arnott's presentation also highlighted the proposed commercial development at 340 Main St. in Acton, the stalled GTA West Corridor Study, the Halton Peel

Boundary Area Transportation Study affecting Georgetown and Norval, the promised all-day, two-way GO Train service from Kitchener-Waterloo to Union Station with stops in Wellington-Halton Hills, the town's role in the government's recent announcement to widen the 401 from Mississauga to Milton, and the need for traffic signals at the intersection of Guelph Street (Highway 7) and McFarlane Drive/Hall Road in Georgetown.

For many residents, the resolution couldn't come soon enough. With the Vision Georgetown plan set to bring and expected 19,000 new residents and 1,700 jobs to Georgetown starting in 2021, many people have shared their concerns through public engagement studies regarding traffic heading in and out town, which is already a concern before the expected population influx.

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Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, household waste collection services the week of October 9 will take place the day after your regular collection day.

Please place your waste at the curb by 7 a.m. on your scheduled holiday collection day.

Thanksgiving tips



Blue Box

- Aluminum foil and trays
- Aluminum containers and pop cans
- Boxed beverage containers
- Plastic bottles
- Plastic plates and cups



Green Cart

- Turkey, including bones (wrap tightly in newspaper)
- Buns and stuffing
- Vegetables
- Paper plates and cups



Garbage

- Plastic cutlery
- "Compostable" plastic cups and cutlery
- Styrofoam
- Plastic wrap

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