

DRIVEWAY WIDENING ENFORCEMENT

APRIL 14 COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL MOTION

- (Proposed Consideration by City Council – April 21, 2021):
- CW191-2021 WHEREAS driveway prosecutions have been on hold for over one year due to COVID-19;
- WHEREAS the number of current files has grown to over 1,000;
- WHEREAS the number of files is growing to an unmanageable size, further burdening our staff to keep up with the current case load;
- WHEREAS now that new paving, widening and other driveway expansion work has begun throughout the City of Brampton;
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City resumes its prosecutions of illegal driveways that violate City by-laws once the current stay-at-home order has been lifted; and That an appropriate communications plan with residents be undertaken.

OUR CONCERNS

- Covid will not be over with this nor will the completion of the current stay-at-home order
- Numerous people have been directly affected either with loved ones being affected by Covid or economically
- The remedies offered by the City need to be further explored

CURRENT PROCESS

- If driveway is wider than city requirement, it will be required to rip it out
- We think City will overlook their own Direction to staff
- That the requested staff report on implementation of the Driveway Permit Program include consideration for charging a yearly fee to be used to finance climate change initiative (Passed on March 11)
- Will unnecessarily bottleneck the court system and delay secondary unit, lodging home and speeding court cases by adding over a 1000 driveway widening infractions

OUR ASKS

1. Delay driveway enforcement until Covid emergency response is over, let's focus on using bylaw resources to keep people safe and protected
2. Have staff report back on adding a yearly fee which was originally supported by all of council