

Bicycle Theft Reduction Strategy In Peel Update

September 14, 2021

- I presented and took questions at the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee meeting in September on a strategy to reduce bicycle theft in Peel.
- The presentation was received positively.
- Chairperson, Councillor Chris Fonseca was willing to make a motion to take a proposal to Region of Peel Council, however, it was decided that without financial details it would be premature.
- It was decided that MCAC member Jeff Fleming would liaise with myself, as more details and a strategy developed.

September 29, 2021

- I was informed by my contact with the 529 Garage website that Sergeant Arthur Wong of the Ottawa Police Service was willing to share the business case used in Ottawa, with the appropriate staff from the Peel Police Service.
- My contact also sent me a price list for the program being offered.
- Later, on this date, I found out that there was a motion in the City of Toronto to investigate the use of the 529 Garage website, put forth by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam and supported by Councillor Michael Layton.

October 6th, 2021

- I received a reply from Councillor Wong-Tam's assistant verifying their strategy to have a representative from 529 Garage present on there methods of bicycle theft deterrent at the Infrastructure and Environment meeting on October 26, 2021.
- In attendance will be representatives from Transportation Services, the chief of Police and the Toronto Police Services Board.
- Deputations are encouraged at this meeting and I was asked to speak or write about the increased rate of success of this program if it is adopted across neighbouring jurisdictions.

Hi Stephen,

This week at City Council we got our motion directing the General Manager, Transportation Services, in consultation with the Chief of Police and the Toronto Police Services Board, to meet with 529 Garage and request that they provide a demonstration and presentation on how their app deters and eliminates bike theft, to the Infrastructure and Environment Committee meeting on October 26, 2021.

This item will be open for deputation and I would encourage you to speak or write into the committee to talk about your experience and why it is so important that we do more to deter bike theft, and the cross jurisdictional element of the strategy.

Thanks for your advocacy and for thinking of us!

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529 Garage Pricing

- Due to the complexity of services available at different price points, I will provide a page link from the website.
- https://project529.com/garage/law_enforcement_agencies/pricing