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Subject: Transportation Priorities and Investment for a Healthy Toronto – Item No. HL20.2

The Toronto Board of Health on March 25, 2013 adopted, as amended, the following recommendations which are forwarded to you for information and/or action.

The Board of Health:

1. Requested the Chief Planner and Executive Director of City Planning to consider the health and equity criteria in Attachment 1 of this report when amending the Official Plan’s transportation policies, specifically, policy directions for transportation investment and priorities;

2. Noting that the income tax is the least regressive way to fund transit, the Board of Health requested the City Manager to include health and equity criteria in Attachment 2 to the report (March 11, 2013) from the Medical Officer of Health, when developing the City’s position on funding tools for Council’s endorsement and submission to Metrolinx; and,

3. Forwarded the report (March 11, 2013) from the Medical Officer of Health to Metrolinx, CivicAction, Toronto Region Board of Trade, Pembina Institute, Canadian Urban Transit Association, Martin Prosperity Institute, Ontario Public Health Association, Association of Local Public Health Agencies, and the Boards of Health for Hamilton, and the regions of Durham, Halton, Peel and York.

The Board of Health also:

a. Requested the Medical Officer of Health to report back to the Board of Health when the City presents its report on next transit lines to be built, and/or when the Province comes out with its revenue tools strategy with a screening health impact assessment.

b. Forwarded the report (March 11, 2013) from the Medical Officer of Health to the Community Development and Recreation Committee with the request to work with the TTC to do some costing of various options related to discounted fares for Torontonians in need.
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(March 11, 2013) Report and Attachments 1 and 2 from the Medical Officer of Health on Transportation Priorities and Investment for a Healthy Toronto
(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2013/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-56649.pdf)

Yours truly

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