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NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL March 23, 2006

TO:

North West Community Council

FROM:

Phillip Cox, Chair

North West Transit Advisory Committee

DATE:

February 16, 2006

SUBJECT:

Pedestrian s Crossing Series 100 Highway

ORIGIN

February 15, 2006 meeting of he Northwest Transit Advisory Committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

The North West Transit Advisory Committee recommends that the North West Community Council:

Request that the appropriate HRM and Provincial Government Departments address the issue of public safety by providing a safe means to traverse the Old Sackville Road/Beaverbank Road/Walker Service Road/Beaverbank On/Off Ramp due to the expected increase in frequency of pedestrians crossing to the new Metro Transit Terminal.

BACKGROUND

The issue of pedestrians crossing the 100 Series Highway, to access the Sackville Transit Terminal at Downsview and the new Metro Link Terminal located near the Wheaton's property, has raised a concern for public safety. The Committee's concern is growing due to the expected increase in pedestrian traffic due to the introduction of the Metro Link at this location.

DISCUSSION

The Northwest Transit Advisory Committee has noted grave concern with the number of persons crossing the Highway to access the terminal. It has been suggested that perhaps a pedway be installed, similar to the proposed pedway from Highfield Park to Burnside in Dartmouth, to enable pedestrians to safely traverse this area.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

Unknown at this time.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Northwest Community Council may choose to consider other options to enable the public to safely cross this area.

ATTACHMENTS:

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