

NEW BUSINESS ITEM



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Subject: Youth Advisory Committee to the TTC

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Board:

- 1. Direct staff to report back to the board on establishing an Official TTC Youth Advisory Committee.**

BACKGROUND

Youth aged 13-24 are an important segment of Toronto's population. Yet the voices of youth are often missing in Toronto's transit planning discussions and policy-making processes. As part of the City of Toronto's Youth Engagement Strategy, youth were consulted and identified transit and transportation as being amongst their top interests.

A Youth Advisory Committee to the Toronto Transit Commission can provide advice and guidance on policies regarding transit and concerns as related to youth. The committee can advocate on youth issues, and promote youth involvement in plans and policy development.

The Youth Advisory Committee can ensure there is ongoing youth participation in decisions affecting transportation in the City of Toronto.

Using ACAT (Advisory Committee on Accessible Transit) and other City of Toronto advisory committees as a model, TTC staff are directed to report back on the feasibility and benefits of establishing an Official TTC Youth Advisory Committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Josh Colle".

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