

## TOWN OF AJAX

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Sent by E-Mail

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## Re: Request for Bike Storage/Lockers at the Ajax GO Station

The following resolution was passed by Ajax Town Council at its meeting held September 21, 2021:

**WHEREAS** Ajax is a Silver designated Bicycle Friendly Community with a 140 km bike network that offers access to a wide variety of destinations within a 20-minute bike ride from anywhere in town;

**AND WHEREAS** since the start of Covid-19 there has been growing interest in bicycle commuting and further year-round riding;

**AND WHEREAS** if bicycle commuting is to remain a sustainable transportation option beyond the pandemic, timely investments in secure and convenient bike infrastructure such as tripend facilities (bike parking, service stations, shelters, lockers, etc.) are required at GO Transit stations;

**AND WHEREAS**, for example, there are only two GO Transit stations (Scarborough and Rouge Hill) out of nine stops along the Lakeshore East Line that offer the security and convenience of bike storage/lockers for commuters;

**AND WHEREAS** the Town's Transportation Demand Management Plan includes an action to work with partners to facilitate a secure bicycle parking/commuter hub;

## NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. Ajax Council formally requests Metrolinx to consider providing secure bike storage/lockers at the Ajax Go Station as part of its 2022 budget process; and
- 2. A copy of this motion be circulated to the Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation, the Honourable Rod Phillips, Minister of Long Term Care and MPP for Ajax, Phil Verster, CEO of Metrolinx, and all Durham area municipalities.

If you require further information please contact me at 905-619-2529 ext. 3342 or <a href="mailto:alexander.harras@ajax.ca">alexander.harras@ajax.ca</a>.

Sincerely,

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Hon. Rod Phillips, Minister of Long-Term Care and MPP for Ajax

Phil Verster, CEO of Metrolinx All Durham Region municipalities