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Subject: Council Correspondence

From: Les F. Jagodich [mailto:]

Sent: September 4, 2018 11:51 AM

To: Kolar, Loren <Loren.Kolar@hamilton.ca>

Cc: James Butlin

Subject: Re: The email below is the response to your inquiry regarding noise adjacent to Highway 403 in Hamilton

Good Morning Loren

I trust that you had an enjoyable vacation.

Yes, please ensure that this e-mail is tabled for the next Council meeting.

I would suggest that a new Acoustical study be tabled for re-assessment by the Ministry of the Environment for a holistic review & final determination of our concerns.

Thanks

Les

From: PHM-CR-RD <PHM-CR-RD@ontario.ca>

Subject: The email below is the response to your inquiry regarding noise adjacent to Highway 403 in Hamilton

Date: August 28, 2018 at 9:31:07 AM EDT

To: "

Dear Mr. Les F. Jagodich,

Thank you for your inquiry to the Honourable John Yakabuski, Minister of Transportation regarding noise adjacent to Highway 403 in Hamilton. I have been asked to reply on behalf of the Ministry.

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) considers noise barriers under two methods:

1. The Retrofit Noise Barrier Candidate Site List, that assesses noise impacts caused by existing freeways to homes constructed before 1977 and;
2. The Environmental Assessment process which assesses noise impacts caused to any home by construction of any new highway or by the widening of any existing highway.

Since your residential community was constructed after 1977, it does not qualify for the Retrofit Noise Barrier Candidate Site List. Subsequent to February 1977, noise mitigation for your community which was constructed in the late 1980's, was the responsibility of the subdivision developer in keeping with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation

and Parks (MECP) requirements under the *Planning Act*, for residential developments constructed adjacent to an existing freeway. The Subdivision plan, along with any proposed noise mitigation measures, was approved by the then Town of Ancaster. The MTO has no involvement with this process. As a result of the above requirement, the developer constructed the noise barrier adjacent to Greenbriar Road. As of the 2001 amalgamation, the City of Hamilton's planning department should be able to address your concerns regarding the noise barrier's height and type.

The noise barrier along Highway 404-extension mentioned in your email was constructed by MTO under the Environmental Assessment process which addressed the noise impacts to the existing homes due to the construction of the new highway 404 extension. The noise barrier provides noise attenuation as required by the *Environmental Guide for Noise*.

Should you have any further questions or concerns, Please feel free to contact Graziano Masiello Environmental Planner- Acoustics at 416 235-5210 or Graziano.masiello@ontario.ca

Thank you for sharing your concerns with the ministry

Sincerely,

Teepu Khawja
Regional Director
Central Region