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NOTICE OF MOTION

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RE: USE OF FLASHING LIGHTS ON SCHOOL BUSES

COUNCILLOR JOE MAGLIOCCA & COUNCILLOR PETER DEMONG

WHEREAS currently Bylaw 26M96 requires school buses to use flashing lights in only a few select areas of the City while picking up or dropping off of school children;

AND WHEREAS there has recently been another incident where a 7 year old child was struck by a vehicle while exiting a school bus in the community of Kincora;

AND WHEREAS tragedies of this nature are completely preventable;

AND WHEREAS the City of Calgary has been granted the authority to adjust the operating times of playground zones city wide;

AND WHEREAS the City of Calgary will be implementing and signing these new times in the fall of 2014;

AND WHEREAS most school buses pick up and drop off children in playground zones;

AND WHEREAS the City of Calgary currently has a Bylaw regarding the added protective benefit of regulating the use of flashing lights on school buses when loading and unloading children in only some areas of the City.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Administration explore amending Bylaw 26M96 mandating the use of flashing lights and/or similar such mechanism/s as described in the Traffic Safety Act, on school buses throughout the City of Calgary for the protection of children while entering and exiting, including but not limited to discussions with the school boards;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that this report return concurrently with the upcoming report on the implementation of the new playground zone times.

Signature of Member(s) of Council