

COUNCIL REPORT

May 05, 2010

To: Mayor & Council

From: Bill Preisentanz, CAO

Re: Half-loading Transmitter, Gould Road & Homestake Road

Recommendation:
For Discussion

Background:

Council had previously supported half-load measures for the Transmitter, Gould and Homestake Roads on an annual basis in order to keep the large trucks off these roads. While the half-load restriction was established on a permanent, year-round basis for these roads, the intent was to allow full loads for local delivery upon special approval of the Roads Supervisor or Municipal Engineer. The City solicitor has advised the Manager of Operations that this special occasion authority is illegal under terms of the City Bylaw.

There has been a recent request to allow delivery of cement to a residence on Transmitter Road once the City-wide half-loading is removed in early summer. As the current Bylaw does not allow special authority to suspend the half-loading, the resident will incur significant costs that other residents in the City would otherwise not incur.

The Manager of Operations is proposing the establishment of truck routes as an option for these roads to provide some flexibility and allow delivery of full loads to residents after half-loading is removed. For purposes of discussion, should Council be in agreement, a new or revised bylaw from the City solicitor will be presented to accomplish this.