City of Greater Sudbury

City Council Meeting Tuesday, July 7, 2015 Tom Davies Square

MOTIONS

Canada Post Mail Delivery

As presented by Councillor Sizer:

WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury believes that Canada Post and the services providing including mail delivery are an integral part of life to all residents within the City of Greater Sudbury;

AND WHEREAS the post offices and the services they provide in Small, Rural and Northern communities have become a part of the fabric of our way of life and are essential to the socioeconomic wellbeing of our communities;

AND WHEREAS local governments in Canada have a direct financial interest in the security and stability of Canada's postal system, to ensure reliable communications with ratepayers and certainly in the timely payment of taxes and other fees;

AND WHEREAS Canada Post, a consistently profitable crown corporation, has announced its intention to eliminate residential door-to-door mail delivery in Canada, calling into question the stability of Canada's postal system, the certainty of communications and payments, and the reliability of business transactions;

AND WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury recognizes the growing importance of accessibility, along with an increasing proportion of the population being seniors and the importance of residential door-to-door delivery for those segments of the population;

AND WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury experiences harsher winters than other areas in the country, making neighbourhood mailboxes less accessible compared to other jurisdictions, further adding to the importance of residential door-to-door delivery in our community;

AND WHEREAS this fundamental change in Canada's communication system is unprecedented in the G7 countries and has been announced in the absence of any meaningful consultation with local government, Canada Post customers or postal workers;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Greater Sudbury requests that the Federal government direct Canada Post to maintain the current levels of postal

service in Small, Rural and Northern communities and continue to maintain residential door-to-door delivery in Canada;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to The Right Honourable Stephen Harper, Prime Minister of Canada; The Honourable Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport, Claude Gravelle, MP for Nickel Belt, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for their support and endorsement.