

Changes to Canada Post Delivery

WHEREAS, Canada Post, this past December announced significant changes to mail delivery in Canada as part of its *Five Point Action Plan (FPAP)*; and

WHEREAS, under this plan it is proposed that there be a new tiered pricing model for letter-mail that will significantly increase the costs of municipal mail-outs; and

WHEREAS, Canada post is also proposing the introduction of community mailboxes (CMBs) and the elimination of non-commercial door-to-door mail delivery; and

WHEREAS the CMBs could entail the downloading of responsibilities, costs, and liabilities to local governments, including increased requirements for managing municipal land and rights-of-way, infrastructure such as paving and lighting, and policing related to vandalism, graffiti and mail theft; and

WHEREAS, the loss of door-to-door delivery could also undermine local strategies and processes aimed at fostering and supporting age/disability-friendly communities.

WHEREAS, municipalities were not consulted on the proposed changes of the FPAP; therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Big City Mayors' Caucus call on Canada Post to halt the elimination of door to door delivery until concerns are addressed through meaningful consultations with the mayors of the Caucus before implementation of the plan; and be it further

RESOLVED that Canada Post commit that the proposed changes in the Five Point Action Plan do not download the costs and maintenance of the community mailboxes onto municipalities without proper consultation and compensation.