Region to investigate implementing fines for negligent 911 calls

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Peel Regional Police report that over 40 per cent of the 911 calls they receive are deemed non-legitimate, inappropriate, or misuse.

At Region of Peel Council's January 11 meeting, Brampton Mayor Patrick Brown put forward a motion asking Council to direct regional staff to investigate whether fines or other penalties can be issued to callers making negligent use of the 911 system.

Brown's motion also asked regional staff to report back to Council at a future meeting with recommendations to minimize misuse and abuse of the 911 system.