

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY**  
**OF**  
**OTTAWA-CARLETON**  
**COUNCIL MINUTES**

The Council of the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton met at Haydon Hall, Regional Headquarters, 111 Lisgar Street, Ottawa on Wednesday, June 26, 1996 at 1:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m. and opened in prayer.

The Regional Chair, Peter D. Clark, presided.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the Regular Council meeting of 12 June 1996 were confirmed.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ARISING FROM PRIOR MEETINGS  
OF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEES**

No declarations of interest were filed.

**COMMUNICATIONS\***

- I. The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) forwarding the following Municipal Alerts:
  - AMO attended the 1996 Police Summit on the 8th and 9th of June. The theme of the summit was “Policing Ontario: Building the Future”. Minister Runciman indicated the issue of police financing will be considered in the overall context of the Province’s review of provincial-municipal roles and responsibilities under the “Who Does What” panel.
  - Minister Brenda Elliott introduced draft legislation to reform the *Environmental Assessment Act* in Ontario. The Bill is subject to a 30-day public review on the Environmental Bill of Rights Registry. Second Reading is expected by June 21st, followed by a referral to a Standing committee of the Legislature for public comment over summer recess. The Province expects to proclaim the reformed legislation early in 1997.
- II. Robert Taylor, Reeve, Township of South Dumfries, writing on behalf of residents who have experienced substantial damage to their property following a severe windstorm on 20 May 1996. Damages to insured private property is estimated at \$1,298,300.00, while damages to uninsured private property is estimated at 1,234,500.00. South Dumfries Council has requested the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to declare the Township a disaster area in order to access the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program. The Reeve is asking the Region to make a financial donation for this cause.
- III. Thomas Davies, Chair, The Regional Municipality of Sudbury, forwarding a resolution adopted by their Council with respect to the Family Support Plan proposal to centralize services to Toronto, resulting in the closure of the Sudbury Family Support Plan offices. The Region of Sudbury would like RMOC’s support in its request that the Attorney General of Ontario review the business plan to centralize the Family Support Plan.
- IV. Bruce Baldwin, Intergovernmental and Global Relations Team, Ministry of Education and Training providing information on the Labour Mobility Chapter of the Agreement on Internal Trade which came into force on 1 July 1995. The Agreement is based on the principle that governments should ensure free movement of persons, goods, services and investments across the country. A brochure outlines three main areas where barriers prevent or limit the interprovincial movement of workers.
- V. Barbara Liddiard, Director of Council Services, The City of North York, forwarding an extract of a minute with respect to waste disposal. The Keele Valley

landfill site will soon be at capacity. The Provincial Government has disbanded the Interim Waste Authority thereby discontinuing the practice of establishing future landfill sites. The Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto is in the process of considering alternative waste disposal options, including the shipment of waste to the United States. However, no decisions with long range implications will be made until the governance issue is settled.

- VI. Cathy Strong, Administrative Officer, City of Kanata forwarding a motion adopted by Kanata Council dealing with liability settlements against municipalities. They are requesting the Provincial Government give municipalities statutory protection against nuisance and liability claims, citing specific instances.
- VII. The Honourable Al Palladini, Minister of Transportation responding to the Region's resolution recommending a third stage for the Canada-Ontario Infrastructure Works Program. The Federal Government unilaterally extended the payment period to 1999, however, there is no amending agreement which formalizes this extension. He advises the Ministry would consider any proposal which would include federal participation in transportation infrastructure projects.
- VIII. The Honourable Al Palladini, responding to the Regional Council's approval to join with the Regions of Peel and Metro Toronto in requesting legislation to permit the use of red light cameras and laser guns. He advises Mr. Fred Peters, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policing Services of the Ministry of the Solicitor General and Correctional Services will be meeting with the concerned parties.
- IX. Pierre Lalonde, Area Manager, Ottawa Area Office, Ministry of Community and Social Services providing formal notification to the Children's Aid Society of their 1995 final allocation in the amount of \$33,310,296. A schedule is attached, providing details regarding additional funding and constraints.
- X. Gilbert Lecavalier, Lawyer, Secretary, for the Société de transport de l'Outaouais, forwarding a copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors, in support of the integration of a third lane (reversible) for transit purposes during the construction phase of the Champlain Bridge.

- XI. Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Perkins, writing with concerns about the Wetlands Policy Issue. They suggest a motion be presented that since the Region is not prepared to pay compensation for Wetlands to owners due to budgetary constraints, and if the Province wishes this official designation, they should either compensate or dissolve this policy. **Item 4 of Planning and Environment Committee Report No. 37 on today's Agenda, refers.**
- XII. Roger Ravary, Association française des municipalités de l'Ontario (AFMO) writing to the Honourable Al Palladini to follow up on a request submitted by the Regional Municipality of Sudbury, concerning the enforcement of By-law 486 of the *Highway Traffic Act* as it applies to the Arrêt/Stop road signs. AFMO would like a guarantee that the government of Ontario does not intend to change bilingual signage on their roads.

**\* COMMUNICATIONS HELD ON FILE WITH THE REGIONAL CLERK.**

## **REGRETS**

The following members of Council advising that they will be absent from Council and Committee meetings during the dates indicated:

No regrets were filed.

## **MOTION TO INTRODUCE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **MOTION NO. 195**

Moved by Councillor P. Hume  
Seconded by Councillor R. van den Ham

**RESOLVED THAT Community Services Committee Report No. 30; Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee Report No. 38; Planning and Environment Committee Report No. 37; and Transportation Committee Report No. 31 be received and considered.**

**“CARRIED”**

**(COMMITTEE REPORTS BEGIN ON PAGE 2991)**

**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 30**

1. 1996-97 HOME CARE BUDGET

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council approve the Home Care Budget in the amount of \$61,524,772 for the fiscal period of April 1, 1996 to March 31, 1997.**

**“CARRIED”**

2. ONTARIO REGULATION 567-90 -- IMMUNIZATION OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS AGAINST RABIES
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**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council authorize the Health Department to proceed with an application to the Ministry of Health to be included in Ontario Regulation 567/90 which required the mandatory vaccination of cats and dogs against rabies.**

**“CARRIED”**

**CORPORATE SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 38**

1. REVIEW OF INTER-MUNICIPAL SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS IN THE OTTAWA-CARLETON AREA

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council receive this report for information.**

**“RECEIVED” with Councillors Davis, Holmes, Hume, Legendre and Stewart dissenting.**

**MOTION NO. 196**

Moved by Councillor P. Hume  
Seconded by Councillor B. McGarry

**RESOLVED THAT the CAO be authorized to retain the necessary resources, to an upset limit of \$250,000.00, to undertake an analysis of the business cases of the following services:**

- 1. Single Region-Wide Official Plan**
- 2. Unified Sanitary Sewer System**
- 3. Single Region-Wide Emergency Dispatch Service**
- 4. Single Electrical Utility within the RMOC**

**and that these business cases be presented to Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee in September.**

**MOTION NO. 197**

Moved by Councillor L. Davis  
Seconded by Councillor P. Hume

**RESOLVED THAT Motion No. 196 be amended by adding to the list of services:**  
**5. Unified Transportation Systems.**

**MOTION NO. 198**

Moved by Councillor A. Munter  
Seconded by Councillor P. Hume

**RESOLVED THAT Motion 196 be further amended by adding the following to the list of services:**

- 6. The assumption by the Region of services now co-funded by the Region, province and community agencies on a revenue-neutral basis for the RMOC.**
- 7. Region-Wide Library System.**

**Motion Nos. 196, 197, and 198 were “TABLED” to be considered at the Council Meeting of July 10, 1996, in accordance with Section 71 of the Procedure By-law.**

2. CASH INVESTMENTS AND LOANS RECEIVABLE

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

**That Council receive this report for information.**

**“RECEIVED”**

3. 1995 SETTLEMENT - LOCAL HEALTH AGENCIES

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

**That Council approve the 1995 Local Health Agencies Settlement submissions to the Ministry of Health.**

**“CARRIED”**

4. INTERNAL AUDIT'S ANNUAL PROJECT PLAN

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

**That Council approve the Annual Project Plan of the Internal Audit Department.**

**“CARRIED”**

5. MARKETING STRATEGY FOR CYLDE/MERIVALE LANDS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

**That Council receive this report for information.**

**MOTION NO. 199**

Moved by Councillor A. Cullen

Seconded by Councillor

**RESOLVED THAT the Clyde/Merivale lands not be offered for sale at this time, and that the situation be reviewed in a year's time.**

**As there was no seconder, Motion No. 199 was not proceeded with.**

**Item 5 of Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee Report No. 38 was then “RECEIVED” by Council.**

6. STATUS REPORT AND FUTURE INITIATIVES  
CONCERNING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

**That Council receive this report for information.**

**“RECEIVED”**

7. CAPITAL CENTRE CAPITAL PROJECT  
FEASIBILITY STUDY - FINAL REPORT

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

**That Council:**

1. **Receive the final report of the Capital Centre Capital Project Feasibility Study for information;**
2. **Refer the final report to the Ottawa Tourism and Convention Authority (OTCA) and to the Ottawa-Carleton Economic Development Corporation (OCEDCO) for an analysis of the economic development opportunities of this project, with their analysis and comments to be received by 30 August 1996;**
3. **Request the Planning and Property Department, with contribution from OTCA and OCEDCO, to develop a list of suitable sites in the downtown core for the Capital Centre Capital Project by 30 August 1996;**
4. **Consider the final report and the aforementioned analysis, comment and list of suitable sites at a future meeting of the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee and Council in the Fall of 1996.**



**MOTION NO. 200**

Moved by Councillor J. Legendre  
Seconded by Councillor B. McGarry

**RESOLVED THAT Recommendation 2 of Item 7 of Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee Report No. 38, be amended to add: “in addition, OCEDCO and OTCA be asked for an assessment of the ability and willingness of the local tourism industry to invest in the convention/parking component of the proposal.”**

**“CARRIED”**

**MOTION NO. 201**

Moved by Councillor A. Munter  
Seconded by Councillor A. Cullen

**RESOLVED THAT Recommendation 2 be further amended to add: “relevant provincial and federal government departments or agencies.”**

**“CARRIED”**

**MOTION NO. 202**

Moved by Councillor J. Legendre  
Seconded by Councillor M. Meilleur

**RESOLVED THAT a recommendation 5 be added to read: “5. Council requests that the Planning and Property Department seek comments from the University of Ottawa with respect to the nature and scale of this project immediately adjacent to their campus.”**

**“CARRIED”**

**Item 7 of Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee Report No. 38 was then put to Council and “CARRIED”, as amended by Motion Nos. 200, 201 and 202 on a division of 15 yeas to 4 nays as follows:**

**YEAS: Councillors Hill, Stewart, Holmes, van den Ham, Hume, Legendre, Pratt, Meilleur, Bellemare, Loney, Cantin, Kreling, Munter, McGarry and Chair Clark...15**

**NAYS Councillors Hunter, Cullen, Davis and Beamish...4**

8. ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO (AMO)  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council approve that Councillor Wendy Stewart's name be submitted to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to stand for re-election as the Regional representative on their Board of Directors.**

**“CARRIED”**

**PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 37**

1. ROBERT O. PICKARD ENVIRONMENTAL CENTRE  
DIGESTER GAS COGENERATION FACILITY

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

**That Council approve:**

- 1. The establishment of a Cogeneration Facility Capital Project at the Robert O. Pickard Environmental Centre in the amount of \$3,800,000;**
- 2. The transfer of funds in the amount of \$3,800,000 from the Sewer Capital Reserve Fund.**

**“CARRIED”**

2. TOWNSHIP OF GOULBOURN COMPREHENSIVE OFFICIAL PLAN

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AS AMENDED**

- 1. That Deferral 14 and Modification 21, as it applies to Deferral 14, be removed and the lands designated as originally adopted in the Goulbourn Official Plan;**
- 2. That Council approve the new comprehensive Official Plan of the Township of Goulbourn subject to the Modifications and Deferrals as amended, noted in Annex I, the Approval Page.**

**MOTION NO. 203**

Moved by Councillor A. Cullen  
Seconded by Councillor

**RESOLVED THAT Item 2 of Planning and Environment Committee Report No. 37, be amended by deleting Recommendation 2 and substituting the following:**

- “2. That the lands described by proposed Deferral 14 and the policies associated with proposed Modification 21 to the new comprehensive Official Plan of the Township of Goulbourn, be referred to the OMB, pursuant to the request of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.”**
- 3. That Council approve the new comprehensive Official Plan of the Township of Goulbourn, subject to the Modifications and Deferrals as amended, noted in Annex 1, the Approval Page and subject to the referral made pursuant to Recommendation 2.**

**As there was no seconder, Motion No. 203 was not proceeded with.**

**MOTION NO. 204**

Moved by Councillor B. Hill  
Seconded by Councillor R. van den Ham

**RESOLVED THAT with reference to Item 2, Planning and Environment Committee Report 37, Township of Goulbourn Comprehensive Official Plan, the request for referral by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing be denied on the basis that it is frivolous and made only for the purposes of delay.**

**“CARRIED” with Councillor Cullen dissenting.**

**Recommendations 1 and 2 of Item 2 of Planning and Environment Committee Report No. 37 were then put to Council and “CARRIED”.**

3. TOWNSHIP OF OSGOODE COMPREHENSIVE OFFICIAL PLAN -  
PARTIAL LIFTING OF DEFERRAL NO. 8 -  
PROPOSED CARL AND MARY MOORE SUBDIVISION  
(PART OF W 1/2 LOT 1, CONC. 6)
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**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**That, as stipulated on the Approval Page attached as Annex A, Council lift Deferral No. 8 to the Township of Osgoode Official Plan insofar as it affects Lot 1, Concs. 5 and 6, and approve instead a designation of “Marginal Resource”.**

**“CARRIED”**

4. RESPONSE TO THE REPORT OF THE WETLANDS WORKING GROUP

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

**That Council approve the following:**

- 1. That staff be instructed to prepare a new draft Wetlands Regional Official Plan amendment (ROPA 61) for circulation;**
- 2. That draft Regional Official Plan amendment 61 be circulated to all agencies and interest groups and to all landowners impacted by the Provincially Significant Wetlands Policy;**
- 3. That the Region not adopt or implement a policy to provide flexible methods to purchase, acquire and receive lands or to compensate owners of Provincially Significant Wetlands;**
- 4. That all Provincially Significant Wetlands evaluated and classified by the MNR be designated in draft ROPA 61;**
- 5. That draft ROPA 61 include an identification of economic and productive uses permitted within a wetland;**
- 6. That the Region not initiate a remapping program of Provincially Significant Wetlands;**

7. That draft ROPA 61 be based on Council's existing Official Plan approach to delineating floodplains that is, to determine the extent of the wetlands Council will have regard to maps that delineate the wetlands prepared by the MNR, and in conjunction with the MNR, will consider other information, such as the results of an Environmental Impact Study, as may be pertinent;
8. That draft ROPA 61 identify when, and what type of Environmental Impact Study is required, to support development applications;
9. That draft ROPA 61 indicate that proponents requesting development approval under the *Planning Act* continue to be responsible for the provision of an Environmental Impact Study, or its equivalent.

**MOTION NO. 205**

Moved by Councillor W. Stewart  
Seconded by Councillor B. Hill

**RESOLVED THAT** with reference to Item 4 of Planning and Environment Committee Report 37, Council request that the provincial government establish a formal appeal mechanism to review boundary disputes and wetland classification at the request of the landowner, and that Amendment 61 allow for such boundary changes.

**“CARRIED”**

**MOTION NO. 206**

Moved by Councillor B. Hill  
Seconded by Councillor R. van den Ham

**WHEREAS** the Provincial Government has designated 11, 660 hectares of land in the Ottawa-Carleton Region as Provincially Significant wetlands, and

**WHEREAS** this designation prohibits any development on these lands thus depreciating the value significantly, and

**WHEREAS** the market value paid by these landowners and the taxes paid on these lands over the years has been based on a market value that did not consider the depreciated value of lands as provincially significant wetlands, and

**WHEREAS major funding cuts to the Region by the Provincial Government makes it financially unrealistic for the Region to compensate wetlands owners for their loss,**

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council request that the Provincial Government implement a policy to compensate wetlands owners for the loss of the value of their land.**

**“CARRIED” with Councillor Stewart dissenting.**

**MOTION NO. 207**

Moved by Councillor J. Legendre  
Seconded by Councillor A. Munter

**RESOLVED THAT ROPA 61, in the context of Recommendation 8, incorporate as part of the identification process of the type of Environmental Impact Study (EIS) to be required, whether an EIS is in fact actually required, by a preliminary on-site inspection by RMOC staff, at the proponents cost.**

**“CARRIED” with Councillors Hill and Stewart dissenting.**

**Item 4 of Planning and Environment Committee Report No. 37, as amended by Motion Nos. 205, 206 and 207 was then put to Council and “CARRIED”.**

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 31**

1. **NEWSPAPER VENDING BOXES**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council approve the amendments to Part 2.10 of the Regional Regulatory Code, as specified in the body of this report, to allow the placement and operation of “non-traditional” newspaper vending boxes on Regional roads.**

**“CARRIED”**

2. CENTRE DE JOUR GUIGUES - FEE EXEMPTION FOR FENCINGCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve that the encroachment fee for Centre de Jour Guigues be reduced to \$1.00.

“CARRIED” with Councillor Hume dissenting.

**ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS**MOTION NO. 208

Moved by Councillor A. Loney  
Seconded by Councillor G. Hunter

**RESOLVED THAT** Community Services Committee Report No. 30; Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee Report No. 38; Planning and Environment Committee Report No. 37 and Transportation Committee Report No. 31 be received and adopted as amended by Motions Nos. 200, 201, 202, 205, 206 and 207; with Motion Nos. 196, 197 and 198 being TABLED to the Council Meeting of 10 July 1996 and with the referral request related to Item 2 of Planning and Environment Committee Report No. 37 being denied (see Motion No. 204).

“CARRIED” with dissents as recorded on various items.

**MOTION TO INTRODUCE BY-LAWS**MOTION NO. 209

Moved by Councillor D. Pratt  
Seconded by Councillor R. Cantin

**RESOLVED THAT** the following by-laws be enacted and passed.

By-law No. 46 of 1996 to amend the Regional Regulatory Code, Part 5.2, Sewers, Sewage Works and Control of Discharges.

By-law No. 47 of 1996 to amend the Regional Regulatory Code, Part 5.2, Hauled Liquid Waste.

By-law No. 48 of 1996 to amend the Regional Development Charges By-law in respect of the Centretown and Central Area.

By-law No. 49 of 1996 to amend the Regional Development Charges By-law in respect of certain semi-detached dwellings.

**By-law Nos. 46, 47 and 49 of 1996 were “CARRIED”.**

**By-law No. 48 of 1996 was “CARRIED” on a division of 10 yeas to 8 nays as follows:**

**YEAS: Councillors van den Ham, Hunter, Hume, Pratt, Bellemare, Loney, Beamish, Cantin, Kreling and Chair Clark...10**

**NAYS: Councillors Hill, Stewart, Holmes, Legendre, Cullen, Meilleur, Davis and Munter...8**

**By-laws enacted and passed.**

## **MOTIONS**

### **MOTION NO. 210**

Proposé par le Conseiller M. Bellemare  
Appuyé par le Conseiller H. Kreling

**ATTENDU QUE l’Ontario est la plus grande province du Canada et souvent reconnue comme étant un chef de file;**

**ATTENDU QUE le Canada est un grand pays ayant deux langues officielles;**

**ATTENDU QUE l’affichage bilingue constitue un important indice de ces deux langues officielles et un moyen efficace de faire sentir chez soi le citoyen et faire bon accueil aux visiteurs;**

**ATTENDU QUE l’ancien gouvernement provincial a adopté un règlement prévoyant que tout panneau d’arrêt érigé après le 1<sup>er</sup> août 1993 doit porter uniquement le mot «stop» et qu’à compter du 1<sup>er</sup> août 2008, seuls les panneaux d’arrêt affichant le mot «stop» seront valides;**



**ATTENDU QUE l'Association française de municipalités de l'Ontario a demandé au gouvernement de l'Ontario de permettre l'affichage bilingue des arrêt/stop et d'assurer l'affichage bilingue de la signalisation des autoroutes provinciales là où elle existe déjà dans les régions désignées bilingues en vertu de la *Loi sur les services en français* de l'Ontario;**

**IL EST DÉCIDÉ PAR CONSÉQUENT QUE la MROC appuie la position de l'Association française des municipalités de l'Ontario et exhorte le gouvernement de l'Ontario de permettre l'affichage bilingue des arrêt/stop et d'assurer l'affichage bilingue de la signalisation des autoroutes provinciales là où elle existe déjà dans les régions désignées bilingues en vertu de la *Loi sur les services en français* de l'Ontario;**

**IL EST AUSSI DÉCIDÉ PAR CONSÉQUENT qu'une copie de cette motion soit acheminée au gouvernement de l'Ontario, aux députés provinciaux et aux municipalités de l'Ontario.**

Moved by Councillor M. Bellemare  
Seconded by Councillor H. Kreling

**WHEREAS Ontario, the largest province of Canada, is often looked upon as a leader in many fields;**

**AND WHEREAS Canada is a great country with two official languages;**

**AND WHEREAS bilingual signage is an important indication of these two official languages and an effective way of making citizens and visitors feel wanted and welcome;**

**AND WHEREAS the previous Government of Ontario adopted a regulation that every stop sign erected on or after August 1, 1993 shall bear the word "stop" exclusively and may not bear the words "stop" and "arrêt", and that, on or after August 1, 2008, no stop sign shall be valid unless it bear the word "stop" only;**

**AND WHEREAS the *Association française des municipalités de l'Ontario* has asked the Government of Ontario to permit bilingual stop signs and ensure continued bilingual highway traffic signage where it presently exists in all jurisdictions designated as bilingual under the *French Language Services Act* of Ontario;**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton endorse the position of the *Association française des municipalités de l'Ontario* and urge the Government of Ontario to permit bilingual stop signs and ensure continued bilingual highway traffic signage where it presently exists in all jurisdictions designated as bilingual under the *Ontario French Language Services Act*.**

**AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Government of Ontario and circulated to all Ontario MPPs and municipalities.**

**“CARRIED”**

**NOTICES OF MOTION (FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING)**

Moved by Councillor A. Cullen  
Seconded by Councillor B. McGarry

**WHEREAS the Provincial Government has indicated that municipalities in Ontario will be restructured and reduced in number;**

**WHEREAS municipalities in Ottawa-Carleton are currently examining various models of municipal governance for the region;**

**WHEREAS there exists an opportunity to present to the public a range of choices in municipal structure, in order to elicit their preference, through placing a question (or series of questions) on the ballot for the 1997 municipal elections;**

**WHEREAS one municipality in Ottawa-Carleton has indicated its interest in placing such a question on its ballot for the 1997 municipal elections;**

**WHEREAS in order to assure full and fair debate across the region, and the participation of all electors throughout the region, on the matter of the most appropriate municipal governance for Ottawa-Carleton, it is preferable that a common question (or series of questions) be placed on the ballot for all municipalities in Ottawa-Carleton for the 1997 municipal elections;**

**THEREFORE be it resolved that the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton endorse the concept of a common question (or series of questions) on the topic of municipal governance for Ottawa-Carleton to be placed on the ballot for all the municipalities in Ottawa-Carleton for the 1997 municipal elections;**

**THAT this position be communicated to all municipal councils within Ottawa-Carleton, inviting their participation in developing a common question (or series of questions) on this matter;**

**THAT the Regional Chair approach the Ottawa-Carleton Mayors' Forum to discuss the process by which such a question (or series of questions) could be developed;**

**THAT such a question (or series of questions) should include (at least) reference to one-tier government, other forms of possible municipal governance (i.e. 3 cities, etc.), and the status quo;**

**AND THAT the Regional Chair report to Regional Council on progress made in this regard no later than the first Regional Council meeting in October, 1996.**

## **CONFIRMATION BY-LAW**

### **MOTION NO. 211**

Moved by Councillor A. Munter  
Seconded by Councillor M. Meilleur

**RESOLVED THAT By-law 50 of 1996 to confirm the proceedings of Council be enacted and passed.**

**“CARRIED”**

**By-law enacted and passed.**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Council adjourned at 4:35 p.m.**

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**CLERK**

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**CHAIR**