

**OTTAWA-CARLETON**  
**REGIONAL TRANSIT COMMISSION**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**

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The Ottawa-Carleton Regional Transit Commission met at Haydon Hall, Regional Headquarters, 111 Lisgar Street, Ottawa, on Wednesday, 14 October 1998.

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. with Commission Chair Al Loney presiding.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT EXCEPT COMMISSIONER J. LEGENDRE.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the Ottawa-Carleton Regional Transit Commission meeting of 9 September, 1998 were confirmed.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ARISING FROM PRIOR MEETINGS  
OF THE COMMISSION AND THE TRANSIT SERVICES COMMITTEE**

No declaration of interest were filed.

**MOTION TO INTRODUCE TRANSIT SERVICES COMMITTEE  
REPORTS****MOTION NO. TC-12**

Moved by Commissioner H. Kreling  
Seconded by Commissioner R. Cantin

**RESOLVED** that the rules of procedure be suspended in order that Commission may receive and consider Ottawa-Carleton Regional Transit Services Committee Report No. 98-07.

“CARRIED”

**OTTAWA-CARLETON REGIONAL TRANSIT SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT  
NO. 98-07****1. IMPROVING PUBLIC TRANSIT ACCESSIBILITY IN OTTAWA-CARLETON****COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AS AMENDED**

**That the Ottawa-Carleton Regional Transit Commission approve the following:**

- a. the advanced purchase to 1999 of the 70 low-floor Orion VI buses currently ordered for the year 2000;
- b. the advanced purchase to 2001 of 30 low-floor articulated buses planned for 2002;
- c. that c. be deleted;
- d. that the Government of Ontario be requested to cover the full \$1.9 million financing cost of accelerating the purchase of low-floor accessible vehicles to help people with disabilities in Ottawa-Carleton;
- e. that the Accessible Transit Steering Committee be reconstituted with the addition of representatives from the Canadian National Institute for the Blind and the Canadian Hearing Society, to review and update all aspects of the Commission's Accessibility Plan;
- f. that Councillor W. Byrne be appointed as the Commission representative on the Accessible Transit Steering Committee.

**“CARRIED”**

2. PUBLIC TRANSIT FOR ONTARIO WORKS PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

**That the Ottawa-Carleton Regional Transit Commission approve the discount of up to \$375,000 on the purchase of \$1.5 million of OC Transpo services by the Social Services Department; and,**

**That this arrangement be reviewed within one (1) year through a report to the Transit Services and Community Services Committees.**

**“CARRIED” with Commissioner Hill dissenting.**

3. AWARD OF MULTI-YEAR CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY OF LOW-FLOOR, ARTICULATED BUSES

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AS AMENDED

**That Ottawa-Carleton Regional Transit Commission approve:**

- a. **the award of a contract to New Flyer Industries for the supply of 15 low-floor accessible articulated buses for delivery in 2000 at a price not to exceed \$9,960,000, subject to U.S. dollar exchange rates;**
- b. **the award of a continuing multi-year contract for 115 low-floor accessible articulated buses for delivery from 2001 to 2004 at a price based on the year 2000 price and defined escalation provisions, subject to availability of annual funding;**
- c. **the establishment of additional debenture authority in the amount of \$17.3 million to finance the purchase of 45 low-floor, articulated buses.**

**“CARRIED”**

4. CHANGE IN SEAT SPECIFICATIONS FOR 140 NEW LOW FLOOR BUSES

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Ottawa-Carleton Regional Transit Commission delegate authority to the Interim General Manager to:

- a. approve a change in the seat specification for 140 low floor Orion VI buses and all future bus purchases.
- b. approve the final seat specification and arrangement for 140 Orion VI low floor buses, and;
- c. negotiate the final price increase which will not exceed \$3,100 per bus over the current contract price of \$446,000 per bus.

“CARRIED” with Commissioner van den Ham dissenting.

5. AMENDMENTS TO THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION PROCEDURES MANUAL

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Ottawa-Carleton Regional Transit Commission approve an amendment to the Finance and Administration Procedures Manual concerning the signing officers of the Commission in the form as attached as Annex A.

“CARRIED”

**MOTION TO ADOPT COMMITTEE REPORTS**

MOTION NO. TC-13

Moved by Commissioner W. Stewart  
Seconded by Commissioner D. Holmes

**RESOLVED THAT Ottawa-Carleton Regional Transit Services Committee Report No. 98-07 be received and adopted.**

“CARRIED” with dissents as recorded on various items.

**MOTION NO. TC-14**

Moved by Commissioner R. Cantin  
Seconded by Commissioner M. McGoldrick-Larsen

**RESOLVED THAT The OC Transit Commission move In Camera pursuant to subsection 10 a) ii) of the procedure By-law, as the matter relates to personal matters about identifiable individuals, including staff.**

**“CARRIED”**

**IN CAMERA SESSION**

**The Chief Administrative Officer, the Interim General Manager of OC Transpo and appropriate staff were present to brief the Commission and respond to questions.**

**MOTION NO. TC-15**

Moved by Commissioner G. Hunter  
Seconded by Commissioner M. Meilleur

**RESOLVED THAT the rules of procedure be suspended in order that the Commission may receive and consider a report from the Interim General Manager dated 13 October, 1998, on OC Transpo Restructuring.**

**“CARRIED”**

**MOTION NO. TC-16**

Moved by Commissioner W. Byrne  
Seconded by Commissioner R. van den Ham

**RESOLVED THAT the Ottawa-Carleton Regional Transit Commission arise from In-Camera session.**

**“CARRIED”**

**IN OPEN COMMISSION MEETING**

**MOTION NO. TC-17**

Moved by Commissioner M. Bellemare  
Seconded by Commissioner D. Holmes

**RESOLVED THAT the report of the Interim General Manager, OC Transpo dated 13 October, 1998, on OC Transpo Restructuring, be received and adopted.**

**“CARRIED” with Commissioners Davis and Hunter dissenting.**

**CONFIRMATION BY-LAW****MOTION NO. TC - 18**

Moved by Commissioner M. McGoldrick-Larsen  
Seconded by Commissioner R. Cantin

**RESOLVED THAT By-law 5 of 1998 to confirm the proceedings of the Ottawa-Carleton Regional Transit Commission, be enacted and passed.**

**“CARRIED”**

**BY-LAW ENACTED AND PASSED.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**The Commission meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.**

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**COMMISSION CHAIR**

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**COMMISSION SECRETARY**