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TO/DEST. Co-ordinator, Transportation Committee

FROM/EXP. Regional Councillor Peter Hume

SUBJECT/OBJET **SOUTHEAST TRANSITWAY  
RIVERSIDE STATION TO BILLINGS BRIDGE STATION  
NOISE MONITORING ON LAMIRA STREET**

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### **REPORT RECOMMENDATION**

**That Transportation Committee recommend Council authorize the Environment and Transportation Department to undertake noise monitoring on properties located on Lamira Street.**

### **BACKGROUND**

Construction of the Southeast Transitway from Riverside Station to Billings Bridge Station was substantially completed on 03 October 1996 and OC Transpo was fully operational on this section of Transitway by early November 1996.

Throughout the year following the opening of the Transitway the RMOC received a number of complaints about high levels of Transitway noise both during the day and at night. The complaints were primarily from the homes in the community on the east side of the Transitway south of Pleasant Park Road and some homes on Lamira Street.

To address these concerns a public meeting was held on Wednesday, 05 November 1997 at Rideau Park United Church. As a result of the meeting regional staff agreed to undertake noise monitoring along the eastern side of the Transitway (Figure 1). These sites include homes on Pleasant Park, Mountbatten Avenue and Lamira Street.

It was stated at the meeting that noise monitoring at three locations on Lamira Street would be subject to the consideration of Transportation Committee due to certain caveats relating to the sale of the Lamira Street properties.

Specifically, the homes on Lamira Street were constructed in the late 1980's on lots sold by the City of Ottawa. Registered on title with the lots was an advisement which stated:

*“a) That there will be a depressed Transitway/railway facility located along the westerly boundary of the development; b) That the noise level is likely to increase; and c) That no noise/visual barrier will be provided along the westerly boundary to the development”.*

As a result of the title notice the approval of Transportation Committee is required to undertake noise monitoring for the three sites located on Lamira Street. Any further remedial action resulting from the noise monitoring, for the houses located on Lamira Street, will have to be approved by Transportation Committee and Regional Council.

*Approved by  
Peter Hume  
Regional Councillor  
Alta Vista, Canterbury, Riverview*

#### ENVIRONMENT & TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT COMMENT

We concur with the recommendation to carry out additional noise monitoring on Pleasant Park Road and Mountbatten Avenue, however staff require direction from Transportation Committee regarding monitoring on Lamira Street.

*Approved by  
M.J.E. Sheflin, P.Eng.  
Environment and Transportation Commissioner*

FIGURE 1  
SOUTH EAST TRANSITWAY  
NOISE MONITORING LOCATIONS

