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DATE 23 July 1997

TO/DEST. Transportation Committee

FROM/EXP. Co-ordinator, Transportation Committee

SUBJECT/OBJET **PEDESTRIAN ACTIVATED TRAFFIC SIGNAL -
CORKSTOWN ROAD AND CARLING AVENUE**

REPORT RECOMMENDATION

That a pedestrian-activated traffic signal be installed at the intersection of Corkstown Road and Carling Avenue.

BACKGROUND

During the Transportation Committee's consideration of the Pedestrian Signal and Traffic Control Signal Programme - Phase 2 report on 2 July 1997, Councillor Cullen submitted the above Notice of Motion to be considered at the next meeting.

Relevant extracts from the annexes of that report are appended for background information. Letters in support of the pedestrian-activated signal are also attached.

*Approved by
R. Nelson*

**1996 PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL PROGRAMME
PHASE 2**

Priority Listing

	<u>Location</u>	<u>Percent Warranted</u>
(1.)	<u>Locations Recommended for Action</u>	
	None	
(2.)	<u>Locations at which Further Review is Proposed</u>	
	None	
(3.)	<u>Locations at which No Further Review is Proposed</u>	
	Data Centre Road at Transit Station	69
	Sussex Drive - west end of Ottawa City Hall	64
	Kirkwood Avenue at Clare Street	39
	Regional Road 36 (Hazeldean Rd) between Carbrooke Street and Castlefrank Road	32
	Regional Road 38 (Carling Ave) at Corkstown Road	26
	Kirkwood Avenue at Iona Street	25
	Bank Street between Nottinghill Avenue and Vancouver Avenue	22
	Regional Road 49 (Eagleson Rd) at Cycling Path between Rothsay Drive and Stonehaven Drive	22
	Montreal Road at Cummings Avenue	9
	Carling Avenue at Bromley Road	8
	Carling Avenue at Royal Ottawa Hospital Access	6

1996 PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL PROGRAMME

Location	Rank	Percent Warrant Met (Based on Lowest Warrant)	Major Street Volume (12 hrs)	No. of Pedestrians Crossing (8 hrs)	No. of Children Crossing (8 hrs)	No. of Senior Citizens Crossing (8 hrs)	Day and Date of Count	No. of Pedestrian Accidents Total (3 yrs - 1993-1995)	Comments
Bank Street between Nottinghill Ave. and Vancouver Ave.	7	22	27,111	76	9	6	Friday 12 Jul 96	0	- mid-block crossing
Carling Avenue at Bromley Road - north roadway	10	8	9,880	48	1	15	Friday 5 Jul 96	0	
Carling Avenue at Royal Hospital access - south roadway	11	6	6,010	43	0	6	Wednesday 29 May 96	0	
Data Centre Road at Transit Station	1	69	2,727	506	6	17	Tuesday 28 May 96	0	- east of Heron Rd.
Kirkwood Avenue at Clare Street	3	39	9,670	97	8	6	Thursday 23 May 96	1	- higher # of delays than at Iona
Kirkwood Avenue at Iona Street	6	25	9,670	80	15	11	Tuesday 28 May 96	0	
Montreal Road at Cummings Avenue - north roadway	9	9	9,625	32	0	2	Wednesday 22 May 96	0	

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Regional Road 36 (Hazeldean Rd) between Carbrooke St and Castlefrank Rd	4	32	15,302	60	14	0	Thursday 1 Aug 96	0	- mid-block crossing or at private access
Regional Road 38 (Carling Ave) at Corkstown Road	5	26	12,503	61	0	32	Thursday 11 Jul 96	0	
Regional Road 49 (Eagleson Rd) at Cycling Path	8	22	10,327	52	6	0	Thursday 15 Aug 96	0	- between Rothsay and Stonehaven - mid-block crossing
Sussex Drive at West End of Ottawa City Hall	2	64	17,735	158	0	7	Wednesday 22 May 96	0	- east of King Edward Avenue



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June 27, 1997

I moved from Robertson Place to River Park Place when it opened June 15/95. It seemed the right thing to do with the Park so close & after losing my husband Nov/94 & then to find out I couldn't get over to it without a drive seemed hopeless - even with a walker for my weakness in my right side & right foot & many here would

Dear Residents: *like to get across if a light made it possible.* *Mil Bell*

On May 14/97, a group of forty-three residents gathered in the Waterford Lounge for our regular monthly meeting.

A number of residents who have moved to Riverpark Place since our April meeting were welcomed. They included Mrs. Marjorie Major, Mrs. Helena Meadows, John & Winnifred Mitchell, Miss Julia Groves, Mrs. Betty Slade, Mrs. Maude Mackie, and Sidney & Violet Woodall.

Discussion points were:

A) **Crosswalk**

Discussion on the crosswalk situation with regard to meeting at Regional Council tentatively scheduled for June 18th (now confirmed for July 2/97).

Residents were encouraged to write to individuals named on the attached handout to ensure we voice our opinions strongly as to the need for the crosswalk.

B) **Federal Election**

A mobile poll will operate in the Entertainment Centre at Riverpark from 2-5 p.m. on June 2/97 for the convenience of the residents.



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Riverpark Place
Worthington Road.
Nepean, Ont.
June 28, 1997.

Mrs. Alex Cullen.
Regional Transportation Committee,
Ottawa/Nepean, Ont.

Dear Mrs. Cullen -

I am a resident of Riverpark Place and would like to express myself, as to the dire need for a crosswalk over to Andrew Hayden Park. So many of us are dependant on walkers to become mobile. At present, we walk around the limited area surrounding our building and look longingly at the beautiful park, the river and marina, just across the road. In fact, it was the thought of strolling through the park, on beautiful summer days, that made me eager to take up residence in Riverpark Place.

I hope you will favourably consider providing us with a safe crosswalk. It will bring happiness to so many handicapped seniors.
Yours truly, Mary A. Young

To Richard Cantin, Chair, Regional Transportation Committee

Re Proposed Crosswalk from
Corkstown Rd. to Hayden Park

I watched the Park being created
over the years and Nepean is to be
congratulated for its effort.

For some years I have enjoyed walking
around the park and seeing the muskrats
beavers, squirrels, chipmunks, great blue
herons, ducks, geese etc in season.

I now live at #1 Corkstown Rd.
but now have to use a walker to
assist me in walking. A crosswalk
with lights at the intersection of Carling
and Corkstown Rd. would get me right
into the Park and enable me and others
like me to walk there. Since I am 87
my walking is limited and if I have to walk
to the Acres Rd lights or west to the tunnel
under the road I do not have the energy left
to walk in the park.

I ask you to please put in the
crosswalk as the car traffic makes a
safe crossing impossible otherwise.

Yours very truly

R B Carson



Robert B Carson
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cc. to members Regional Transportation
Committee

Suite 407 Riverpark Place
1 Corkstown Rd., Nepean
June 28, 1997

Mr. Alex Cullen
Regional Municipality of
Ottawa-Carleton

JUN 28 1997

Dear Mr. Cullen:

This letter is in regard to our request for some sort of help to enable our residents to cross Carling Avenue safely to reach the Andrew Heydon Park.

As you are aware, most of the residents have difficulty in walking -- a great many use "walkers" in order to keep their balance, while some are in wheelchairs. All of them, however, would like very much to get over to the park on a warm day to enjoy the river, the children playing and the beautiful park itself. Many of us may not have too many summers left to enjoy the park. Many do not have relatives or friends who can take them away for a few days to enjoy a change of surroundings.

Surely, the Committee isn't waiting for a "human sacrifice" -- a Senior crippled or killed -- before they discover some means of interrupting the steady traffic flow for the few minutes it would take to save a life.

I sincerely hope your members will consider this and realize how much we would all appreciate their help. Thank you for any help you can give us.

Yours very truly,


(Mrs.) Evelyn White

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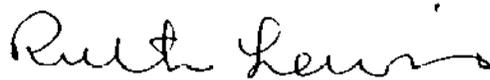
June 27/97

Dear Councillor:

I am 85 years old and not able cross Carling Avenue to go to the park without assistance. I would not like to put the burden on another senior citizen to help me to cross the road.

My taxes are paid. I feel that I am entitled to walk in the park.

Ruth Lewis

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ruth Lewis". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the printed name "Ruth Lewis".

Dear Sir

I am a resident at Riverpark Place
1 Corkestown Road and as you know we
have a lovely park right across the
street from us. which we are unable
to get to because of the heavy traffic on
Callings Ave.

I am 90 yrs. of age and still able to
walk, however, to go all the way up to
the light and down to the nice parts
of the park would be too exhausting.

I trust the Council members will
remember that we elderly people payed
taxes for years, so that we might be
able to have these parks.

Yours Truly,
Hazel Nesbitt

Nepean, Ontario
June 27, 1997

Mr. Alex Gullen,
Regional Councillor,
Ottawa/Nepean.

Dear Mr. Gullen,

As a resident of Leasport
Place I wish to call upon your co-operation
in providing us with a crosswalk to
facilitate our access to beautiful Andrew
Haydon Park.

Because of the heavy traffic
on Carling Avenue it is impossible for most
of us to reach the Park.

We call upon you to help
our cause.

We certainly will appreciate
anything you can do in this respect.

Yours truly,

(Mrs.) M. Dunphy



M. DUNPHY
1 CORKSTOWN ROAD # 316
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THE FOLLOWING IS A TYPED VERSION OF A HAND-WRITTEN SUBMISSION

Riverpark Place
1 Corkstown Road
Nepean, Ontario
K2H 1B6

27 June 1997

Richard Cantin, Esq.
Chairman, Regional Transportation Committee

Dear Mr. Cantin

Riverpark Place, as you are no doubt aware, is a Senior Citizens' Residence located at the junction of Corkstown Road and Carling Avenue, which Avenue separates it from Andrew Haydon Park.

That park is ideal for the enjoyment of Seniors. It offers opportunity to exercise to one's capability. To quietly enjoy its serene peace, and the pleasure of watching persons of lesser age participating in their various activities.

But how to reach this almost perfect setting across a very busy thoroughfare? Even for the comparatively mobile it is a risky venture, for the majority, all of whom have ambulatory problems, it is utterly impossible.

The need for pedestrian controlled "traffic lights" is self apparent but requests for such have been denied because of cost.

The real question is the value of human life expressed in dollars. Sooner or later, death will result from someone trying to reach "Shangri La". What then, Mr. Cantin, will be the feeling of members of your committee?

I have a suggestion, reduce the number of Regional Councillors by one. The saving in salary and office expense allowance will more than cover the cost of the requested "traffic lights".

I urge this action upon you as the most obvious and simplest solution.

Yours Sincerely,

signed
A. Stocks

Lt. Col. Albert Stocks, MBE, CD