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REPORT RAPPORT

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DATE 20 March 1997

TO/DEST. Co-ordinator Transportation Committee

FROM/EXP. Director Mobility Services and Corporate Fleet Services

Environment and Transportation Department

SUBJECT/OBJET TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS -

WELLINGTON STREET AND EAST GATE ACCESS TO

PARLIAMENT HILL

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS

That Transportation Committee recommend Council approve either (1) or (2):

- 1. a temporary traffic control signal not be installed on Wellington Street and East Gate access to Parliament Hill, or;
- 2. a temporary traffic control signal be installed on Wellington Street and East Gate access to Parliament Hill until the commencement of the Wellington Street Phase III project in 1998 and subject to Public Works and Government Services Canada:
 - a. paying the total cost of the signal installation and associated median break (estimated cost \$96,000);
 - b. paying the annual maintenance and operating costs, and;
 - c. executing an agreement with respect to (a) and (b).

BACKGROUND

Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) has requested the Region to install, at the PWGSC's cost, a traffic control signal on Wellington Street and the East Gate access to Parliament Hill (refer to Annex A). The traffic control signals would facilitate heavy truck traffic exiting from the Centre Block Underground Services project.

DISCUSSION

The Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton does not fund traffic control signals at private accesses. The Environment and Transportation Department does not recommend their installation unless warrants are satisfied.

A traffic control signal is not warranted based on existing volumes, nor will it be warranted based on projected peak hour truck traffic. Therefore, the Environment and Transportation Department cannot recommend the installation of a signal.

CONSULTATION

Public consultation is not required in this case.

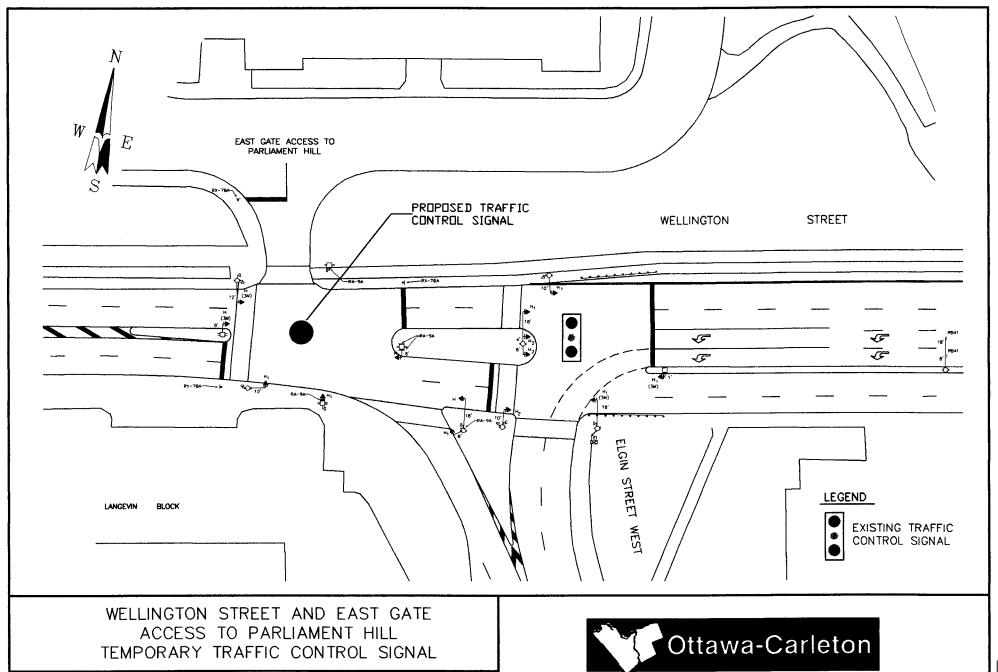
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The PWGSC is to fund the total cost of the installation and pay the annual maintenance and operating costs, if a traffic signal is approved. Attached as Annex B is a letter of commitment.

Approved by Doug Brousseau

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Attach. (2)



SCALE	DRAWN BY	CHECKED BY
N.T.S.	W. BAKER	
	DATE	APPROVED BY
	19 MARCH 1997	

MOBILITY SERVICES
ENVIRONMENT & TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

24 March 97

Project No: 720238

Mr.John Fraser
Transportation Department
Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton
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Dear Mr. Fraser

Re: NEW INTERSECTION & SIGNALS AT WELLINGTON & ELGIN ST.

Pursuant to our recent discussions & your letter of 19 March 97 to Mr.Levenson, this will confirm our commitment to require RMOC to proceed with the project to provide a new temporary intersection below the East Gate of Parliament Hill at the intersection of Wellington & Elgin. This work is essential to facilitate movement of construction traffic associated with a major new facility, called CBUS, for which work starts 1 June 97, adjacent to the Centre Block. We require that the intersection be operational by 15 May 97 for related potential advance project work on the Hill; we would request that you keep us advised of progress once the intersection work is underway.

We are presently in the process of finalising the design details with Mr.Noble of your Traffic Operations Branch. A purchase order to RMOC will be issued shortly. We are in agreement to pay the full cost up to \$81K for installation plus the reasonable annual maintenance & operation costs. We also understand that this letter will be included in a report to Regional Council in order to obtain the necessary approvals.

Your design & planning input to date has been most appreciated. We trust that the planned traffic control measures will provide a safe crossing for the thousands of pedestrians who will be making their way to & from Parliament Hill during the construction period. Should you require further information, please contact Mr.Reid Levenson, Project Manager at 957-8757.

Sincerely,

Kejean Plamondon Senior Project Manager

Parliamentary Precinct Directorate

CC: R.Levenson/D.Nixon/C.Glodowski

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