

ITEM SUPPLEMENTARY 12
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 21
COUNCIL MEETING 1983 03 21

RE: STOP SIGNS

- (a) OXFORD STREET - BOUNDARY ROAD TO WILLINGDON AVENUE
(b) ALBERT STREET - BOUNDARY ROAD TO WILLINGDON AVENUE

MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendation of the Director Engineering be adopted.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

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FROM: DIRECTOR ENGINEERING

SUBJECT: OXFORD STREET - BOUNDARY ROAD TO WILLINGDON AVENUE
ALBERT STREET - BOUNDARY ROAD TO WILLINGDON AVENUE

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the Traffic Safety Committee.

REPORT:

At its meeting of 1983 March 18 the Traffic and Safety Committee recommended to Council that the existing stop signs on the captioned streets at the intersections of Ingleton Avenue and Madison Avenue be reversed.

The Engineering Department feels that it must put itself on record as being opposed to the above recommendation for the following reasons:

1. It is a misuse of stop signs when used for the sole purpose of trying to discourage volumes or speeds. It very seldom discourages the volumes but has been found to increase speeds between stop signs.
2. Unwarranted stop signs experience very high violation rates which can increase the accident experience of an intersection. Stop signs, as with any traffic control device, must have credibility in the eyes of the motorist if they are to be complied with.
3. The continued stopping and accelerating of vehicles creates noise and air pollution as well as wasting expensive fuel.
4. If successful in discouraging use of the street it only transfers the volumes to adjacent streets.

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Should the recommendation to reverse the subject stop signs be approved by Council the Engineering Department will monitor both the before and after effects of this action and submit their findings to future meetings of the Traffic Safety Committee and Council.

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c.c. () Traffic Supervisor


DIRECTOR ENGINEERING