

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

SUBJECT: PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL AT KINGSWAY AND OLIVE AVENUE

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. THAT Council approve the installation of a pedestrian activated signal on Kingsway at Olive Avenue as outlined in this report.
- 2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Ms. Judy Parker, 305 5565 Barker Avenue, Burnaby, BC, V5H 2N8.

REPORT

The Traffic Safety Committee, at its meeting held on 2013 February 05, received and adopted the <u>attached</u> report to respond to a request received for a pedestrian signal at the intersection of Kingsway and Olive Avenue.

The most recent review has shown that pedestrians crossing Kingsway at Olive Avenue have increased, peaking at over 60 crossings during the morning rush hour. Proximity to bus stops along Kingsway, walkways to the residential neighbourhood to the north and the Patterson SkyTrain Station to the south are all contributing to this increase. In addition, general population growth has increased both vehicular and pedestrian traffic to the area. The new data reveals that a pedestrian signal is warranted according to Transportation Association of Canada (TAC) guidelines. Therefore the installation of a pedestrian signal at Kingsway and Olive is now recommended.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor S. Dhaliwal Chair

Councillor A. Kang Vice Chair

Councillor P. Calendino Member

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Acting Director Engineering





FROM:

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS **DATE:**

2013 January 03

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ACTING DIRECTOR ENGINEERING

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SUBJECT: PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL AT KINGSWAY AND OLIVE AVE

PURPOSE: To respond to a request for a pedestrian signal at the intersection of Kingsway

and Olive Ave

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT the Committee recommend to Council the installation of a pedestrian activated traffic signal on Kingsway at Olive Ave as outlined in this report.

2. **THAT** a copy of this report be sent to Ms. Judy Parker 303-5565 Barker Ave, Burnaby, BC, V5H 2N8.

REPORT

1.0 **BACKGROUND**

On 2012 November 06, Ms. Judy Parker appeared as a delegation to the Committee regarding the intersection of Kingsway and Olive. She presented a video and an on-line petition requesting the installation of a pedestrian activated traffic signal at the intersection of Kingsway and Olive Ave. Her request was referred to staff for review.

The last formal review of the crossing conditions at Kingsway and Olive was completed in 2007. At that time, a pedestrian signal was not warranted. Since that time, staff have informally reviewed the crossing conditions from time to time. Based on the recent request from Ms. Parker, another formal review was conducted in 2012 November complete with new pedestrian and traffic counts.

2.0 DISCUSSION

Kingsway and Olive Ave is an unsignalized T- intersection between two signalized intersections along Kingsway at Patterson Ave (205m to the west) and at Wilson Ave (145m to the east) as shown in Figure 1. Despite the proximity to the adjacent signalized intersections, high pedestrian activity continues to occur at Kingsway and Olive. A previous review of this intersection in 2007 found a fair number of pedestrians crossing at this location, but it did not To: Traffic Safety Committee From: Acting Director Engineering

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meet the warrant for a pedestrian signal. At that time, signs were installed to try to reinforce the use of the adjacent signalized intersections at Kingsway and Patterson and at Kingsway and Wilson.

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The signal is estimated to cost about \$220,000 (inclusive of HST) and funding is available from the Traffic Management component of the 2013 Provision Capital Program. Upon approval, the signal will be scheduled for installation later this year.

Barry Davis, P.Eng. ACTING DIRECTOR ENGINEERING

EJ/br Attachment

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