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REPORT RAPPORT

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TO/DEST. Co-ordinator

Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee

FROM/EXP. Environment and Transportation Commissioner

SUBJECT/OBJET WOODROFFE AVENUE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

CHANGE IN SCOPE - CONTRACT NO. ETL99-6046

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee and Council approve an increase in Contract ETL99-6046 for the provision of additional engineering services to Stantec Consulting Limited, Ottawa, in the amount of \$40,018, bringing the revised contract total to \$257,763.

RATIONALE

At the 2000 Budget discussions, Transportation Committee identified an issue that needed immediate attention.

Peak period southbound through and right-turning vehicular traffic on Woodroffe Avenue, on occasion, cannot be safely accommodated by the existing geometry at the Fallowfield Road intersection. Traffic can back up to a point beyond (north of) the VIA RAIL high speed line resulting in vehicles stopped on the track crossing. Satisfactory resolution of this critically unsafe situation is a high priority for the Region.

To address the above safety issue, the southbound right-turn lane will be developed immediately south of the VIA tracks and be continued through to Fallowfield Road (500 m.). Since a significant percentage of the approach volume at the intersection turns right onto westbound Fallowfield Road, the effect is to bring the end of the queue south of the VIA tracks, and as well, an additional 180 m. of approach through-lane capacity be added. This increment to the through capacity must be

supplemented with a continuation of the 2 lane through capacity to Earl Mulligan Drive, some 450 m. south of Fallowfield.

Stantec Consulting are intimately involved with the adjacent Transit Station design assignment which already includes identical work on the Woodroffe Avenue southbound approach to Fallowfield Road. Since they have completed extensive pre-engineering and preliminary design work at this exact location, they are the Consultant who will provide the best value to the Region in carrying out this additional work.

The original contract with Stantec Consulting is for \$217,745. The increase in funds requested is \$40,018, which will bring the total contract provision to \$257,763 (all amounts include GST). Since the additional construction work is estimated at \$400,000, then the proposed additional fee is appropriate for this extension to the assignment.

CONSULTATION

The public consultation process is not applicable.

EXPENDITURE JUSTIFICATION

The requirement for this work is immediate and is necessary to resolve the unsafe condition of vehicles stopped on the VIA RAIL track crossing of Woodroffe Avenue. In resolving this unsafe condition, the work also provides much needed additional southbound through and right-turning capacity at Fallowfield Road.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND APPROVAL

	<u>(900270)</u> \$
Approved Budget to Date	12,836,512
Total Paid and Committed	(9,312,681)
Balance Available	3,523,831
THIS REQUEST	(40,018)
Balance Remaining	<u>3,483,813</u>

Funds have been provided in the 2000 Capital Budget, Account Order No. 900270, Park & Ride Facilities (Reference page 235), Purchase Order No. 45009466, Purchase Requisition No. 10046336.

Approved by M.J.E. Sheflin, P.Eng

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SUPPLY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

I concur,

G. Ford on behalf of the Finance Commissioner