REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF OTTAWA-CARLETON MUNICIPALITÉ RÉGIONALE D'OTTAWA-CARLETON

REPORT RAPPORT

Our File/N/Réf. **25** 20-97-001

Your File/V/Réf.

DATE 15 August 1997

TO/DEST. Co-ordinator Transportation Committee

FROM/EXP. Director Mobility Services and Corporate Fleet Services

Environment and Transportation Department

SUBJECT/OBJET AMENDMENT TO SPEED ZONING POLICY FOR

RECOMMENDATION OF 90 KM/H AND 100 KM/H

SPEED ZONES

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION

That Transportation Committee recommend Council approve an amendment to the Regional Speed Zoning Policy to allow recommended speed limits of 90 and 100 km/h.

BACKGROUND

The Regional Speed Zoning Policy was amended by Council in 1976 limiting recommended speed limits to no greater than 80 km/h. This decision was made at the time of the wholesale lowering of speed limits by the Province of Ontario as a result of the energy crisis of the early 1970s.

DISCUSSION

The Province of Ontario has downloaded Provincial highways to Regional jurisdiction. In doing so the Region has assumed several roadway sections with posted speed limits in excess of 80 km/h. It is therefore necessary at this time to amend the Policy to provide for these roadways and those that will be downloaded in the future. The *Highway Traffic Act* allows the council of a municipality to by-law rates of speed up to 100 kilometres per hour.

CONSULTATION

As this is considered a housekeeping matter, no consultation is required.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with this change.

Approved by G. Malinsky on behalf of Doug Brousseau

JAF