Members' Motion submitted to Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

Meeting date: 27 March 2025

Moved by: Councillor Plante

Motion Title: Direction to Staff – Councillor S. Plante – To develop a plan to

install the outstanding 51 warranted PXOs by 2030

ACS File No.: ACS2025-OCC-CCS-0027

Ward: Citywide

Motion d'un membre soumise au Comité de l'infrastructure et des travaux publics

Date de la réunion : le 27 mars 2025

Motion de : Conseillère Plante

Titre de la motion : Directives au personnel – Conseillère S. Plante - Élaborer un plan visant à aménager les 51 passages pour piétons en attente aux endroits justifiés d'ici 2030

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Quartier : À l'échelle de la ville

Direction to Staff

Councillor S. Plante

That staff be directed to develop a plan and timeline that includes the required additional funding within the Road Safety Action Plan (RSAP) Program - funded through the Automated Speed Enforcement and Red Light Camera revenues - to install the outstanding 51 warranted PXOs by 2030, and report back to Transportation Committee and Council by Q4 of 2025, in advance of the 2026 Budget.

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Moved by J. Leiper Seconded by C. Kitts

That the Direction to Staff from Councillor S. Plante be referred to the Transportation Committee.

Directives au personnel

Conseillère S. Plante

Qu'il soit demandé au personnel d'élaborer un plan et un échéancier qui comprennent le financement supplémentaire requis dans le cadre du Plan d'action stratégique en matière de sécurité routière (PASR) – tiré des revenus des appareils de contrôle automatisé de la vitesse et des appareils photo reliés aux feux rouges - pour aménager les 51 passages pour piétons en attente aux endroits justifiés d'ici 2030, et de faire rapport au Comité des transports et au Conseil d'ici le T4 de 2025, avant le budget de 2026.

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Proposée par J. Leiper Appuyée par C. Kitts

Que la directive de la conseillère S. Plante au personnel soit renvoyée au Comité des transports.

Adopté

Public Works Department

The Road Safety Action Plan (RSAP) Program budget is confirmed as part of the City of Ottawa's annual budget process. Program funding is dependent on the amount of available funds within the Road Safety Reserve Fund which fluctuates year to year depending on net revenues generated by the Automated Speed Enforcement Program. The feasibility of implementing all warranted pedestrian crossovers (PXOs) by 2030 would require further review including the preparation of preliminary designs and cost estimates for all warranted locations and further discussions with Infrastructure Service and Transit Services. The implementation of PXOs in such a short period would also require a review of existing resources to ensure other program deliverables could still be met including, ongoing reviews for new PXO requests and the operation and maintenance of existing locations.

Funding Allocations Towards the Pedestrian Crossover Program

Funding allocations from the Road Safety Action Plan (RSAP) Program budget towards the Pedestrian Crossover (PXO) Program is considered during the development of the annual RSAP – Implementation Plans. Previous allocations included \$195,000 in 2024

and \$500,000 in 2025. These allocations supplemented the PXO Program's base annual capital budget of approximately \$500,000. Future allocations towards this same program from RSAP will be considered as part of the development of the 2026 RSAP - Implementation Plan that will be presented to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee in October 2025.

Background

In December 2019, City Council approved the 2020-2024 Strategic Road Safety Action Plan (RSAP) (ACS2024-PWD-TRF-0005). Since 2021, staff have reported on the progress and development of annual implementation plans in support of this overall strategic plan.

The annual RSAP - Implementation Plans are data driven and include several engineering, enforcement, and education-based initiatives. The annual implementation plans are developed with the goal of ensuring resources and available funding are directed towards road safety countermeasures that have the greatest likelihood of reducing fatal and major injury collisions city-wide.

The emphasis areas of the current Council-approved Strategic Road Safety Action Plan were developed based on the analysis of Ottawa specific collision data, and extensive consultation. The emphasis areas target reducing fatal and major injury collisions that:

- Involve Vulnerable Road Users (pedestrians, cyclists and motorcyclists);
- Include instances of High-Risk Drivers (aggressive, distracted and impaired);
- Occur in *Rural Areas*; and that
- Occur at Intersections.

Continued and targeted interventions are needed to achieve the goals of the strategic plan. Focusing resources and a significant portion of funding towards one countermeasure (i.e. Vulnerable Road Users – pedestrians) compromises the ability to develop a more well-rounded implementation plan and achieve more meaningful, timely results in terms of fatal and major injury collision reductions.

Strategic Plan Update

A fourth iteration of the strategic plan will be developed and presented in the next Term of Council for approval. The new plan including its emphasis areas, will be developed based on the analysis of the 2020-2025 Fatal and Major injury collision data, while

considering the effectiveness of road safety measures implemented to date, in addition to considering post-pandemic collision data trends. The assessment of the existing plan and the development of a new plan are anticipated to start in 2026 and be completed in 2027. This exercise will support program funding decisions to ensure investments are allocated to address existing collision trends and countermeasures selected to align with the overall goal of reducing fatal and major injury collisions city-wide.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with this motion.

Legal Implications

Legal Services is aware of the report and will be available at the meeting for questions if required.

Disposition:

If carried at Committee, this motion will be submitted to City Council for consideration on 16 April 2025.

Staff in the Public Works Department implement the recommendations in this motion, as appropriate.