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## COMITÉ DES FINANCES ET DU DÉVELOPPEMENT ÉCONOMIQUE RAPPORT 10 LE 11 DÉCEMBRE 2019 Extrait de l'ébauche du procès-verbal 7 du comité des transports

**City Manager's Office** 

Proposed 2019-2022 Term of Council Priorities

ACS2019-ICS-ST-0003

City Wide

le 4 décembre 2019

Referred from the City Council meeting of November 6, 2019

#### **Report Recommendation**

# That the Transportation Committee consider the Actions under its mandate, as outlined in Document 1, and forward its recommendations to Council for consideration at the meeting to be held December 11, 2019.

At the outset, the Committee received a detailed overview of its proposed Term of Council Priorities from Vivi Chi, Director, Transportation Planning, Transportation Services, Transportation Services Department (TSD) and Phil Landry, Director, Traffic Services, Transportation Services, TSD. (A copy of the presentation is held on file with the City Clerk). Court Curry, Manager, ROW, Heritage & Urban Design Services, Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development (PIED) was also present and responded to questions.

Prior to receiving delegations, Councillor M. Fleury introduced the following motion for consideration:

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Moved by Councillor M. Fleury

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Whereas interprovincial bridge crossing (planning, design, construction, operations, funding) are under federal jurisdiction and the connections to provincial highway systems are the responsibilities of the respective provinces

Whereas the tunnel option, connecting the 417 to the MacDonald Cartier bridge, would resolve the City of Ottawa issues of having interprovincial trucks going through our Downtown streets

Whereas the tunnel option is the responsibility of the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario as per their mandate to connect 400 highways to interprovincial crossing, never achieved in Ottawa.

Therefore be it resolved that the City of Ottawa reaffirms and identifies this downtown heavy truck traffic issue as a Term of Council priority that is in dire need of a solution

And further be it resolved that the City of Ottawa work closely with the Federal government on its re-initiation of a new interprovincial crossing study and other related studies pertaining to strategic transportation planning between the two provinces.

The Committee then heard from the following delegations:

Alex Cullen, Federation of Citizens' Associations suggested including Interprovincial Transit Connections be a part of the Term of Council Priorities as well as removing heavy truck traffic on King Edward Avenue.

Trevor Haché's presentation touched on a possible electric bus pilot project, autonomous vehicles and re-establishing a bike sharing program in the City of Ottawa. FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT 10 11 DECEMBER 2019 Extract of Draft Transportation

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CARRIED

Transportation Committee Carried the report recommendations as amended by Councillor M. Fleury's motion.

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