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**Harbour East Community Council**  
**November 3, 2005**

**TO:** Chair and Members of Harbour East Community Council

**SUBMITTED BY:**   
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**DATE:** October 18, 2005

**SUBJECT:** Public Participation - Traffic on Portland Street

### **INFORMATION REPORT**

#### **ORIGIN**

Item 14 raised at the July 7, 2005 meeting of Harbour East Community Council.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Mr. Reg Jones, Southdale, expressed concern regarding the impact on traffic on Portland Street (intersection of Portland Street and Prince Arthur Drive).

Staff were requested to undertake a traffic study with a view to install traffic lights.

**DISCUSSION**

Traffic counts were taken at this location early in October (when school was in session) and the signal warrant calculated. The results showed more than 100 warrant points were achieved and the location is a good candidate for signalization. No design work has been done yet.

This location will be added to the list of signals proposed for next year in a priority sequence that will be proposed by staff as part of the 2006-2007 capital budget and confirmed by Council during budget discussions. The priority sequence is based on several factors including the number of warrant points, the costs of various proposals, and whether other, cheaper, alternatives would serve satisfactorily.

**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

There are no budget implications for the current 2005-2006 capital budget. If construction is approved by Council for next year the required funds will be allocated as part of the 2006-2007 capital budget process.

**FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN**

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

**ALTERNATIVES**

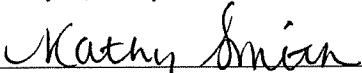
There are no alternatives.

**ATTACHMENTS**

None.

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