



# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

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## Legislation Text

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### REQUEST FOR DECISION

**DATE:** November 27, 2017

Report No. EPW-17-069

**TO:** Laurie Hurst, Chief Administrative Officer

**FROM:** Jeff Miller, Director of Engineering and Public Works

**SUBJECT:**

Implementation of Traffic Control Review Project Recommendations

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council approve Traffic Order 1276 that "Stop" signs and road markings be installed on Miles Street (east and west bound legs) at the intersection of Constance Avenue.

**RELEVANT POLICY:**

Streets and Traffic Regulation Bylaw, No. 2898

**STRATEGIC RELEVANCE:**

Healthy and Liveable Community - ensure multi-modal traffic strategies consider and reflect business and residential growth and development.

Well Managed and Maintained Infrastructure - identify infrastructure repair and proactively plan for replacement needs.

**BACKGROUND:**

In early 2016, the Township received a Traffic Control Review report (EPW-16-001). This report was sponsored by ICBC and the Township with the work being completed by a professional engineer/traffic engineer with an external consultant. The objective of the Project was to undertake a comprehensive review of traffic signs and road markings within the Township of Esquimalt.

The location in question is the intersection of Miles Street and Constance Avenue. This is an intersection with no traffic controls on Miles Street or Constance Avenue. It was identified to have a medium priority for action in the ICBC report. The recommendation is that stop signs and road markings be installed on Miles Street (east and west bound legs). See Attachment A for location map and Traffic Order.

## **ISSUES:**

### **1. Rationale for Selected Option**

The intersection of Miles Street (minor leg) and Constance Avenue (major leg) is currently uncontrolled. This can lead drivers traveling in both main legs to assume that they are travelling on a continuous through road which has the right of way and drivers traveling on the minor leg to assume they have the right of way due to lack of traffic control signage.

It is staff recommendation that the addition of stop signs on Miles Street (east and west bound legs) of the intersection is the appropriate traffic control for this location. It is anticipated that the addition of the stop sign at this intersection will provide drivers with visual information as to who has the right of way, lower the speed of vehicles, improve sight lines and thus increase the overall safety of the intersection.

### **2. Organizational Implications**

The proposed Traffic Order has been prepared and is attached. Should Council approve the Order, it would then be signed by the Corporate Officer and the Director of Engineering and Public Works. Public Works would then install the stop signs and road markings on Miles Street (east and west bound legs). The Traffic Order would also be forwarded to Victoria Police Department (Vic PD). These activities will not impose any significant organizational implications.

### **3. Financial Implications**

The Traffic Order and implementation can be accommodated within the current operational budgets for the various departments that will be involved in the issuing of the Traffic Order.

### **4. Sustainability & Environmental Implications**

There are no sustainability or environmental implications to the Traffic Order. An increased level of safety will be achieved due to the traffic control.

### **5. Communication & Engagement**

Once a traffic order has been approved, this information will be posted to the Township's website and other social media forums. At the locations, "new" tabs will be installed on the traffic control devices where it is appropriate. These tabs will remain for approximately 6 months to assist residents to adjust to the new traffic control devices. The change in traffic control would also be forwarded to Vic PD.

## **ALTERNATIVES:**

1. That Council approve Traffic Order 1276 that "Stop" signs and road markings be installed on

Miles Street (east and west bound legs) at the intersection of Constance Avenue.

2. That Council not approve Traffic Order 1276 that “Stop” signs and road markings be installed on Miles Street (east and west bound legs) at the intersection of Constance Avenue.