

Moved by Councillor R. Brockington
Seconded by Councillor E. El-Chantiry
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WHEREAS, despite the fact that the City of Ottawa uses multiple initiatives to calm traffic and reduce the speed of traffic, residents continue to identify that speeding on local streets is an on-going problem and a significant safety issue in Ottawa; and

WHEREAS the Ottawa Police Chief has identified traffic enforcement as one of his top three priorities and he has confirmed that he supports the use of technology to help keep our roads safe, including speed monitoring devices like photo radar; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario initiated the use of photo radar on provincial highways in 1994, but this was discontinued following the change of government less than one year later for what was considered by many to be political rather than safety reasons; and

WHEREAS a number of municipalities in Ontario have asked the provincial government to allow local governments to use photo radar and/or other technology to address speeding on local streets and there is a benefit to Ottawa residents to adding this ability to the City's current toolkit to address traffic and speeding in our neighbourhoods;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that City Council, through the Mayor, formally request that the Province of Ontario allow municipalities the option of using photo radar on local streets; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this request be forwarded to all local Members of Provincial Parliament.