

C09-2826

## TOWN OF LAKESHORE

419 Notre Dame St.  
Belle River, ON N0R 1A0

September 19, 2018

Minister of Transportation  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, Ontario  
K1A 0A6

To Whom It May Concern:

### **RE: ALLOWING MUNICIPALITIES TO USE FLASHING TRAFFIC SIGNALS**

At its meeting of September 11, 2018, the Council of the Town of Lakeshore duly passed resolution number 864-09-2018.

Councillor Janisse / Councillor Wilder:

**Whereas** the Ministry of Transportation advises that traffic lights guide drivers and pedestrians as to the safe traffic movements at intersections of roads. They guide road users when to stop, direct when and how to turn and when to drive with extra caution;

**And Whereas** the Ministry of Transportation allows traffic lights to have different timing schedules at different times of day and night; and having different timings allows a traffic signal to best serve the traffic demands at different times of day;

**And Whereas** the Ministry of Transportation should consider allowing municipalities to use flashing traffic signals during very low traffic volumes which typically occur in the early morning hours;

**And Whereas** a flashing red light indicates that a driver must come to a complete stop and move through the intersection only when it is safe;

**And Whereas** a flashing yellow light indicates that a driver should proceed with caution when approaching and moving through the intersection;


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**And further** that the letter be addressed to the Minister of Transportation, a copy be forwarded to the Member of Parliament, Tracey Ramsey and Member of Provincial Parliament, Taras Natyshak, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Essex County Municipalities requesting their support.

**Carried**

Should you require any additional information with respect to the above matter, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,



Kristen Newman  
Director of Legislative and Legal Services

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Cc: Tracey Ramsey, MP  
Taras Natyshak, MPP  
Association of municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Municipality of Leamington – Brenda Percy  
Town of Kingsville - R Baines  
Town of Amherstburg - Paula Parker  
Town of Essex - Robert Auger  
Town of LaSalle – Clerks Department  
Town of Tecumseh - Laura Moy



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### Notice of Motion

- a) Notice of Motion regarding the Ministry of Transportation submitted by Councillor Janisse for consideration on September 11, 2018.

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