

9.2 Traffic Flow (August 11, 2025)

Mover: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Secunder: Councillor L. Dufour

WHEREAS the Five-Year Capital Transportation Plan, presented to City Council on July 14, 2025 has within it the reconstruction of Church Street in 2027, and;

WHEREAS traffic flow between the uptown/Great Northern Road area and the downtown/Queen Street area currently contains one-way traffic flow on Pim Street and Church Street, with Church Street heading north, and Pim Street heading south; and

WHEREAS new multi-unit housing on Pim Street, and the development of new residential units in the old Sault Area Hospital Renal Building may increase traffic numbers of Church Street; and

WHEREAS prior to incurring the costs of reconstructing a road, which will maintain the current traffic system for another generation, it is prudent to review the suitability of the traffic flow system to determine if it meets the community's current needs;

NOW THERE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that prior to the reconstruction of Church Street being undertaken, staff review the Church Street/Pim Street one-way traffic flow arrangements, as well as the sightlines at the intersections of Church/Wellington and Pim/Wellington, and any other relevant intersections in the area, to determine if there is a more efficient way to move traffic between the downtown and the uptown areas of Sault Ste. Marie.