

Traffic Calming: Cortleigh Boulevard

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To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, North York District
Wards:	Ward 16-Eglinton Lawrence
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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that the Community Council has delegated authority to make a final decision, provided that it is not amended so that it varies with City policy or by-laws.

To deny the request to install traffic calming devices (speed humps) on Cortleigh Boulevard from Bathurst Street to Alexandra Wood.

The traffic data collected on Cortleigh Boulevard, between Bathurst Street and Alexandra Wood, indicates that the minimum technical criteria necessary to satisfy the requirements of the City's Traffic Calming Policy have not been met.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, North York District recommends that:

1. speed humps not be installed on Cortleigh Boulevard from Bathurst Street to Alexandra Wood.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact associated with the adoption of this report.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services Division, North York District reviewed a request from Councillor Karen Stintz, on behalf of the residents to review the feasibility of installing traffic calming measures (speed humps) on Cortleigh Boulevard, from Bathurst Street to Alexandra Wood. Specifically, the residents would like to have a single speed hump installed in front of Cortleigh Parkette.

COMMENTS

Cortleigh Boulevard is a two-lane local road with a regulatory maximum speed limit of 40 km/h. There are no municipal sidewalks on this section of roadway. It should be noted that Cortleigh Boulevard is an unimproved roadway with the exception of the most westerly portion from Bathurst Street to the east lot line of 378 Cortleigh Boulevard. Cortleigh Parkette is located on the south side of the roadway between 371 and 395 Cortleigh Boulevard.

To assess the feasibility of installing traffic calming measures, 24-hour vehicle speed and volume studies were conducted. The results of the studies are detailed in the following table:

Cortleigh Boulevard	Dir	Speed Limit	Vehicle Speed		Vehicle Volume
			85 th Percentile	Average	24 hr
357 Cortleigh Blvd	WB	40	39	25	245
	EB		39	28	180
386 Cortleigh Blvd	WB		44	31	244
	EB		45	32	208

In reviewing the traffic data collected as part of this investigation, the 'Technical Requirement' warrant of the Traffic Calming Policy was not satisfied. Specifically, the

Traffic Calming Policy for the City of Toronto requires that on local roads where traffic calming is being considered, the daily traffic volumes must be greater than 1,000 vehicles and operating speeds must be at least 10 km/h over the speed limit.

Councillor Karen Stintz has been advised of the recommendations of the staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – Cortleigh Boulevard, Bathurst Street to Alexandra Wood
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