



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Proposed Speed Limit Reduction on Falaise Road

Date:	September 5, 2007
To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 43 – Scarborough East
Reference Number:	P:\2007\Cluster B\TRA\Scarborough\sc07051 D07-1243 Falaise Road Speed Reduction

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which the Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

This report provides the results of traffic studies conducted on Falaise Road, where a 40 kilometre per hour (km/h) speed limit is technically justified and recommended for implementation over its entire length.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, Scarborough District, recommends that Scarborough Community Council:

1. Adopt the 40 kilometre per hour speed limit on Falaise Road, as identified in Appendix 1 of this report, and
2. Amend the appropriate by-law accordingly.

Financial Impact

The financial cost of installing these speed limit signs is approximately \$1,800.00. The funding for these signs is available in the Transportation Services 2007 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0226.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Further to a request from City Councillor Paul Ainslie regarding speeding concerns on Falaise Road, Transportation Services staff reviewed the feasibility of reducing the speed limit from 50 km/h to 40 km/h on this roadway.

The justification for introducing a 40 km/h speed limit is based on the technical warrant adopted for use in the city of Toronto.

COMMENTS

The following characteristics describe Falaise Road:

- This road is located in the community north of Kingston Road and west of Morningside Avenue.
- Falaise Road is a two-lane, local roadway with a speed limit of 50 km/h (not signed) and a daily traffic volume of 1,183 vehicles per day.
- This road has a pavement width of 8.6 metres, and there are no sidewalks on Falaise Road.

40 Km/h Speed Limit Warrant

Application of this warrant reveals that a 40 km/h speed limit is appropriate on Falaise Road. Specifically, the “Pedestrian Environment” category of the 40 Km/h Speed Limit Warrant is satisfied based on the absence of sidewalks. In addition, the road width of 8.6 metres meets the requirement for the adoption of a 40 km/h speed limit.

When installed, the 40 km/h speed limit will be consistent with the traffic environment of Falaise Road.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Appendix 1 – By-law Amendment (enact)
2. Location Plan (Proposed 40 Km/h Speed Limit – Falaise Road)

Appendix 1

“Maximum Rate of Speed – 40 Kilometres Per Hour”
Regulation to be enacted

<u>Highway</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Falaise Road	Kingston Road	Warnsworth Street