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STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Wyndham Street, between Brock Avenue and St. Clarens Avenue – Results of Speed Hump Poll

Date:	July 27, 2007	
То:	Toronto and East York Community Council	
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District	
Wards:	Davenport, Ward 18	
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SUMMARY

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

This report summarizes the results of the traffic calming poll undertaken on Wyndham Street, between Brock Avenue and St. Clarens Avenue. The poll results indicated a response rate of less than 50 percent.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends to Toronto and East York Community Council that:

1. traffic calming (speed humps) not be installed on Wyndham Street, between Brock Avenue and St. Clarens Avenue.

Financial Impact

The adoption of the above-noted recommendation would not result in any financial impact. If, however, Toronto and East York Community Council decides to approve installing traffic calming (speed humps) on Wyndham Street, the following financial impact will result:

1. the estimated cost of installing three speed humps on Wyndham Street is \$9,000.00. Funds are contained in the Transportation Services 2007 Capital Budget for traffic calming initiatives. The installation of these speed humps would be subject to competing priorities and funding availability.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting of March 27, 2007, Toronto and East York Community Council endorsed the installation of speed humps on Wyndham Street subject to a favourable poll of residents (Item No. TE4.56 of Toronto and East York Community Council).

COMMENTS

Councillor Adam Giambrone requested Transportation Services to report on the results of the poll regarding the installation of traffic calming (speed humps) on Wyndham Street which was conducted in May/June 2007.

Total no. of owner/tenants	112	100%
polled		
Number of ballots received	41	37%
Number of ballots in	31	76%
favour		
Number of ballots opposed	10	24%
Number of ballots returned	0	0%
by post office		
Number of ballots not	71	63%
replying to the poll		

The Traffic Calming Policy, adopted by City Council requires a poll of eligible voters be undertaken on streets being considered for traffic calming. The policy stipulates:

- a return rate of 50% of the eligible voters in receipt of a ballot
- a support rate of 60% of the valid ballots received
- emergency services comments on the proposed impact to public safety.

As shown in the above table, the poll did not achieve the required 50% return rate. When the polling requirements have not been met, a three-year moratorium is imposed on further polling.

Emergency Services Comments

We have not received any specific comments regarding installation of speed humps on Wyndham Street. However, Fire Services has made it known previously they do not favour speed humps, particularly where and when they are not warranted.

Alternate recommendations

Although the factors with respect to installing traffic calming (speed humps) on Wyndham Street are as described in the January 2, 2007 staff report, should Toronto and East York Community Council wish to proceed with the installation of speed humps, the following alternate recommendations should be adopted:

- 1. the City Solicitor prepare a draft by-law for installing three speed humps on Wyndham Street, between Brock Avenue and St. Clarens Avenue, generally as shown on Drawing No. 421F-8788, dated April 2007; and
- 2. the speed limit on Wyndham Street, between Brock Avenue and St. Clarens Avenue be reduced from 40 km/h to 30 km/h, upon installation of the speed humps.

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ATTACHMENTS

Drawing No. 421F-8788, dated April 2007

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