



# STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

## Woodenhill Court - Speed Limit Amendment

<b>Date:</b>	January 22, 2008
<b>To:</b>	Etobicoke York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 12 – York South-Weston
<b>Reference Number:</b>	p:\2008\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc080020-to

### SUMMARY

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

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval to enact a 40 km/h speed limit on Woodenhill Court.

Installing a 40 km/h speed limit on Woodenhill Court is consistent with the 40 km/h Speed Limit Warrant. Approval of this report will result in a 40 km/h speed limit being posted on Woodenhill Court.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

**Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:**

1. Enacting a 40 km/h speed limit on Woodenhill Court, as the requirements of the 40 km/h Speed Limit Warrant are achieved.

### Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$800.00

### ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services received a request from Councillor Frank Di Giorgio, on behalf of area residents to have staff determine if a lower (40 km/h) speed limit is warranted on Woodenhill Court.

## **COMMENTS**

Woodenhill Court is a two-way local road in the residential community just south of Eglinton Avenue West and in the vicinity of Haverson Boulevard. The speed limit on this road is currently 50 km/h with a pavement width of 7.3 metres. There are two 90° curves on Woodenhill Court as indicated on the attached Map No. 1. The bends in the roadway, coupled with a 50 km/h speed limit, has area residents concerned as it creates visibility problems for both motorists and pedestrians.

Under the current Council policy, 40 km/h speed limits may be implemented on streets where the Road Width and either Pedestrian or Road and Traffic Environment criteria are met. Woodenhill Court satisfies the Road Width and Road and Traffic Environment criteria as set in the table in Appendix “A” attached. Since there are two 90° curves on Woodenhill Court creating visibility problems and an existing speed limit of 50 km/h, it would be beneficial for area residents to reduce the speed limit on this road to 40 km/h. The complete results are shown in Appendix “A” attached.

Based on the aforementioned, a 40 km/h speed limit is recommended on Woodenhill Court.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Appendix A  
Attachment No. 1: Map

## APPENDIX “A”

### 40 Km/h Speed Limit Warrant – Woodenhill Court

<b>A. ROAD WIDTH</b>			
1.	(i)	Pavement width equal to or greater than 10.5 metres and the 85 <sup>th</sup> percentile speed is equal to or less than 50 km/h	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>OR</b>			
	(ii)	Pavement width less than 10.5 metres	
		PAVEMENT WIDTH:           7.5 metres SPEED LIMIT:                50 km/h	
<b>AND</b>			
<b>B. PEDESTRIAN ENVIRONMENT</b>			
1.	(i)	Elementary or junior high school abuts the road Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>OR</b>			
	(ii)	Parkland abuts the road which is contiguous to and used to gain access to an elementary or junior high school Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>OR</b>			
	(iii)	Absence of sidewalk on both sides of the road or a major portion of the road Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>OR</b>			
<b>C. ROAD AND TRAFFIC ENVIRONMENT</b>			
1.	(i)	Two or more locations where grades are greater than 5%; and/or safe speed on curves is less than 50 km/h Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>OR</b>			
	(ii)	2 or more locations where there is lack of sufficient distance to stop safely traveling at 50 km/h Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>OR</b>			
	(iii)	Pattern of collisions where vehicle speed was identified as a factor Local streets – 3 or more over 3 years Other streets – 5 or more over 3 years Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	