



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Comay Road – Speed Reduction

Date:	March 4, 2008
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 12 - York South-Weston
Reference Number:	p:\2008\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc080040-to-AFS7269

SUMMARY

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

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval to reduce the speed limit on a section of Comay Road from 50 km/h to 40 km/h.

As the 40 km/h Speed Limit Warrant requirements are achieved, a 40 km/h speed limit is recommended on Comay Road. This speed limit will be posted from the southerly limit of Gulliver Road to the westerly terminus of Comay Road.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that the Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

1. Rescinding the existing 40 km/h speed limit on Comay Road from the southerly limit of Gulliver Road and a point 390 metres south and west of Gulliver Road and the existing 50 km/h speed limit from a point 390 metres south and west of Gulliver Road to the westerly terminus of Comay Road.
2. Introducing a 40 km/h speed limit on Comay Road, between the northerly limit of Comay Road and the westerly terminus of Comay Road, 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	\$1,000.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Councillor Frank Di Giorgio, on behalf of area residents, requested Transportation Services staff to review the feasibility of reducing the existing speed limit on a section of Comay Road, designated with a 50 km/h speed limit, to a 40 km/h speed limit.

COMMENTS

Comay Road, between the southerly limit of Gulliver Road and the westerly terminus of Comay Road is a local street operating two-way with an existing 40 km/h speed limit from the southerly limit of Gulliver Road and a point 390 metres south and west of Gulliver Road and an existing 50 km/h speed limit from a point 390 metres south and west of Gulliver Road to the westerly terminus of Comay Road. Comay Road has a road width of 8.5 metres with no sidewalks on either side of the roadway.

A review of the Toronto Police Service collision records indicates that over a three-year period ending December 31, 2007, no collisions were reported on Comay Road related to speeding.

Transportation staff reviewed Comay Road against the technical warrants for introducing a 40 km/h speed limit on the remaining section of Comay Road that has a designated 50 km/h zone. The justification for the introduction of a 40 km/h speed limit is based on a technical warrant adopted by Council for use in the City of Toronto. Application of the required data to this warrant revealed that a 40 km/h speed limit is warranted on this section of Comay Road. The warrant is met because the Pedestrian Environment criteria are satisfied. Specifically, the road width is less than 10.5 metres, and there is an absence of sidewalks on both sides of the roadway.

Since this section of Comay Road meets the Council approved warrants for a 40 km/h speed limit from a point 390 metres south and west of Gulliver Road to the westerly terminus of Comay Road, it is recommended that the speed limit be reduced from 50 km/h to 40 km/h.

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ATTACHMENTS

Appendix A

Attachment 1: Map

APPENDIX A

A. ROAD WIDTH			
1.	(i)	Pavement width equal to or greater than 10.5 metres and the 85 th percentile speed is equal to or less than 50 km/h	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
OR			
	(ii)	Pavement width less than 10.5 metres PAVEMENT WIDTH: 8.5 metres 85 TH PERCENTILE SPEED: 39 km/h	
AND			
B. PEDESTRIAN ENVIRONMENT			
1.	(i)	Elementary or junior high school abuts the road Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
OR			
	(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"/>	
OR			
	(iii)	Absence of sidewalk on both sides of the road or a major portion of the road Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	

OR

C. ROAD AND TRAFFIC ENVIRONMENT			
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 type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
OR			
	(ii)	2 or more locations where there is lack of sufficient distance to stop safely traveling at 50 km/h Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
OR			
	(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"/>	