

NOTICE OF MOTION

Pacific Avenue between Annette Street and Glenlake Avenue – Traffic Calming Measures

Moved by: **Councillor Saundercook** _____

Seconded by: **Councillor** _____

SUMMARY:

The residents of Pacific Avenue, between Annette Street and Glenlake Avenue, have requested, by way of a petition at a Community Meeting held on June 26, 2008, the installation of traffic calming measures. Transportation staff, has indicated to area residents, that Pacific Avenue did not meet the specific warrant criteria for the installation of traffic calming measures, given the low incidence of speeding on Pacific Avenue, between Annette Street and Glenlake Avenue. Current traffic volumes average 1400 vehicles daily with an 85th percentile speed of 45 km/h.

Installing speed humps will result in slower operating speeds for all vehicles, including emergency service vehicles, and could result in increased response times in the event of an emergency.

According to the provisions of the City of Toronto traffic-calming policy, the City Clerk must formally poll householders who are directly affected by installing speed humps on this section of Pacific Avenue. Under this policy, the City Clerk must receive a minimum response of 50 percent plus one ballot, of which at least 60 percent of the responding households must be in favour of installing speed humps so that staff can proceed with the installation. Subject to approval by Council of the recommendations indicated above, Polling Registry Services will poll householders on Pacific Avenue, between Annette Street and Glenlake Avenue and report the results to Etobicoke York Community Council. If the poll supports installing traffic calming measures on Pacific Avenue, between Annette Street and Glenlake Avenue, Transportation Services staff would schedule installation based on relative need and competing priorities.

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

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Transportation Services staff consult with Councillor Saundercook, to develop a speed hump plan.
2. Polling Registry Services poll eligible householders on Pacific Avenue, between Annette Street and Glenlake Avenue to determine whether residents support the installation, in accordance with the City of Toronto traffic-calming Policy.

3. Subject to favourable results of the poll;
 - a. The City Solicitor prepare a by-law to alter sections of the roadway on Pacific Avenue, between Annette Street and Glenlake Avenue, for traffic calming purposes, generally as the traffic calming plan that Polling Registry Services circulated to residents during the polling process shows; and
 - b. Transportation Services take the necessary actions to reduce the speed limit from 40 km/h to 30 km/h on Pacific Avenue, between Annette Street and Glenlake Avenue when the traffic calming measures are installed.

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