

**Speed Hump Poll Results - Manning Avenue, between  
Dundas Street West and Robinson Street**

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<b>To:</b>	Toronto and East York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
<b>Wards:</b>	Trinity-Spadina, Ward 19
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**SUMMARY**

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This staff report deals with matters for which the Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

This report summarizes the results of the traffic-calming poll undertaken to determine support for installing speed humps on Manning Avenue, between Dundas Street West and Robinson Street. The poll results showed a less than 50 percent plus one ballot return, and accordingly, installation of speed humps is not recommended.

**RECOMMENDATION**

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

1. Not authorize installation of speed humps on Manning Avenue, between Dundas Street West and Robinson Street.

**Financial Impact**

Adopting the above-noted recommendation carries no financial impact. If, however, Toronto and East York Community Council decides to approve the installation of speed humps on Manning Avenue, the following financial impact will result:

1. the estimated cost for installing five speed humps on Manning Avenue is \$15,000.00. Funds in the amount of \$265,000.00 have been allocated in the Transportation Services 2008 Capital Budget for traffic calming initiatives. Installing speed humps on Manning Avenue would be subject to competing priorities and funding availability.

## DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting on November 12, 2007, Toronto and East York Community Council endorsed the installation of speed humps on Manning Avenue subject to a favourable poll of residents (Item No. TE11.36).

## COMMENTS

Deputy Mayor Joe Pantalone asked Transportation Services to report the results of the poll, taken in October 2008 regarding installing speed humps on Manning Avenue. The results of this poll are shown in the attached chart.

### Poll Results

The poll results for Manning Avenue are as follows:

# of ballots mailed out	305	100%
<b># of responses</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>38%</b>
# of ballots in favour	<b>94</b>	<b>81%</b>
# of ballots opposed	17	15%
# of spoiled ballots	5	4%
# of ballots not returned	189	62%

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

- a return rate of 50% plus one of the ballot is required;
- a support rate of at least 60% of the valid responses is stipulated; and

Since the poll did not achieve the minimum 50% plus one ballot return rate stipulated in the traffic calming policy, speed humps should not be installed on Manning Avenue, between Dundas Street West and Robinson Street.

### Notification of residents

Under the current polling policy, residents of Manning Avenue have been notified in writing by the City Clerk that the speed hump poll on this street did not satisfy the required criteria and that any follow-up poll cannot be conducted for a period of two years. Residents have not specifically been told speed humps will not be installed, but may interpret the failure of the poll as the final decision on this matter.

## **ALTERNATE RECOMMENDATIONS**

If Toronto and East York Community Council wishes to proceed with installing speed humps on Manning Avenue, between Dundas Street West and Robinson Street, the following alternate recommendations should be adopted:

1. The City Solicitor prepare a by-law to alter the roadway to install speed humps on Manning Avenue, between Dundas Street West and Robinson Street, generally as shown on Drawing No. 421F-9435 (Attachment 1); and
2. Reduce the speed limit on Manning Avenue, between Dundas Street West and Robinson Street from 40 km/h to 30 km/h, upon installation of the speed humps.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENT**

Drawing No. 421F-9435, dated September 2008

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