

Speed Reduction: Pinto Drive

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To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Division, North York District
Wards:	Ward 33 – Don Valley East
Reference Number:	ny09021

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that the Community Council has delegated authority to make a final decision, provided that it is not amended so that it varies with City policy or by-laws.

To approve a request to extend the limits of the existing 40 km/h speed limit zone on Pinto Drive between Chipwood Crescent (west leg) and Cherokee Boulevard.

The existing traffic and roadway conditions satisfy the established criteria for the extension of the 40 km/h speed limit zone on Pinto Drive.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services Division, North York District recommends that:

1. By-law No. 31878, of the former City of North York, be amended to delete the existing 40 km/h speed limit on Pinto Drive from the easterly limit of Edmonton Drive/Chipwood Crescent (west leg) to the easterly limit of the east leg of Chipwood Crescent; and
2. By-law No 31878, of the former City of North York, be amended to install a 40 km/h speed limit zone on Pinto Drive from Edmonton Drive/Chipwood Crescent (west leg) to Cherokee Boulevard.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All cost associated with installation of a 40 km/h speed limit on Pinto Drive are included in the Transportation Services Division, North York District's 2009 Operating Budget estimates.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Transportation Services Division, North York District, was requested by Councillor Shelley Carroll on behalf of an area resident to review the feasibility of reducing the speed limit from 50 km/h to 40 km/h on Pinto Drive between Chipwood Crescent (east leg) and Cherokee Boulevard.

COMMENTS

Currently, the speed limit on Pinto Drive between Chipwood Crescent (east leg) and Cherokee Boulevard is 50 km/h. The speed limit on Pinto Drive between Chipwood Crescent (west leg) and Chipwood Crescent (east leg) is 40 km/h. The east limit of the existing 40 km/h speed limit zone begins at the east limit of Pinto Park. Pinto Park is located on the south side of the road from Chipwood Crescent (east leg) to a point 70 metres west. Pinto Park facilitates pedestrian access to an elementary school fronting onto Cherokee Boulevard.

Westbound traffic on Pinto Drive is required to stop at Edmonton Drive/Chipwood Crescent (west leg). Eastbound traffic on Pinto Drive is required to stop at Cherokee Boulevard.

In reviewing the City's 40 km/h speed limit policy, a reduction in the speed limit on Pinto Drive, east of Chipwood Crescent (east leg), satisfies the warrant regarding a street that abuts a park that is contiguous to and used to gain access to an elementary school.

As per the attached summary, our review has concluded that the requirements for the installation of a 40 km/h speed limit zone on Pinto Drive from Edmonton Drive/Chipwood Crescent (west leg) to Cherokee Boulevard were met.

Councillor Shelley Carroll has been advised of the recommendations of this report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – 40 km/h Speed Limit, Pinto Drive (*ny09021_map*)

Attachment 2: Maximum Speed Limit Warrant Summary, Pinto Drive (*ny09021_warrant*)