

## **40 km/hr Speed Zone: Ellerslie Avenue**

<b>Date:</b>	March 26, 2010
<b>To:</b>	North York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services Division, North York District
<b>Wards:</b>	<b>Ward 23 - Willowdale</b>
<b>Reference Number:</b>	<i>ny10051</i>

### **SUMMARY**

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

To obtain approval to amend the speed limit to 40 km/h on Ellerslie Avenue, from a point 60.0 metres east of the easterly limit of Diagonal Road to the westerly limit of Tamworth Road.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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Transportation Services Division, North York District recommends that North York Community Council:

1. Amend By-law No. 31878, of the former City of North York, by deleting the designated 40 km/h speed limit zone on Ellerslie Avenue from the easterly limit of Senlac Road to a point 60 metres east of the easterly limit of Diagonal Road; and
2. Amend By-law No. 31878, of the former City of North York, by adding a 40 km/h speed limit zone on Ellerslie Avenue between Senlac Road and Tamworth Road.

### **Financial Impact**

All costs associated with the implementation of 40 km/h speed limit zones are included within the Transportation Services Division's 2010 Operating Budget.

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Councillor John Filion, on behalf of a local resident, has requested that the Transportation Services Division, North York District review the feasibility of introducing a 40 km/h speed limit on Ellerslie Avenue, from a point 60.0 metres east of the easterly limit of Diagonal Road to the westerly limit of Tamworth Road. Concerns were raised that westbound vehicles on Ellerslie Avenue were approaching the school zone at a high rate of speed.

## **COMMENTS**

Ellerslie Avenue, from Bathrust Street to Beecroft Road is designated as a local road with a regulatory speed limit of 50 km/h west of Senlac Road and 40 km/h speed limit east of Senlac Road. between Diagonal Road and Tamworth Road the speed limit is 50 km/h.

Vehicle speed studies conducted in 2009 indicate that the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speeds of vehicles approaching the 40 km/h speed limit zone were recorded at 59 km/h.

The 40 km/h speed limit policy considers various roadway characteristics including the presence of schools and the absence of municipal sidewalks. The application of the criteria established as part of the City's 40 km/h speed limit policy, has concluded that Ellerslie Avenue meets the warrant criteria for a 40 km/h speed limit.

The implementation of a 40 km/h speed limit zone on Ellerslie Avenue east of Diagonal Road will address the resident's concerns of the speed of vehicles approaching the school zone.

In view of the above, this Division supports the implementation of a 40 km/h speed limit zone on Ellerslie Avenue from Senlac Road to Tamworth Road.

Councillor John Filion has been advised of the recommendations contained within this report.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1: Map – Ellerslie Avenue, (*n10051\_map*)

Attachment 2: 40 k/hr Warrant Sheet Ellerslie Avenue (*ny10051\_warrant*)