

## **40 km/hr Speed Zone: Holland Park Avenue**

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<b>To:</b>	North York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services Division, North York District
<b>Wards:</b>	<b>Ward 15 – Eglinton-Lawrence</b>
<b>Reference Number:</b>	<i>ny10089</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 Holland Park Avenue between Oakwood Avenue and Winona Drive.

The amendments to the regulatory speed limit on these roadways will address the residents' request.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

1. Amend By-law No. 1129-87, of the former City of York, by designating Holland Park Avenue, between Oakwood Avenue and Winona Drive, as a 40 km/h speed limit zone.

### **Financial Impact**

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

## ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services, North York District, has reviewed a request from Councillor Howard Moscoe, on behalf of a local resident, to investigate the feasibility of introducing a 40 km/h speed limit on Holland Park Avenue, between Oakwood Avenue and Winona Drive.

## COMMENTS

Holland Park Avenue, from Oakwood Avenue to Winona Drive, is designated as a local roadway with a regulatory speed limit of 50 km/h. It functions as a two-way road from Oakwood Avenue to a point 52 metres east thereof, and as an eastbound one-way road from this point to Winona Drive. Municipal sidewalks are located on both sides of this section of the road.

The pavement width on Holland Park Avenue is 7.3 metres from Oakwood Avenue to a point 52 metres east thereof, and from Cedric Avenue to Winona Drive; and 6.3 metres from a point 52 metres east of Oakwood Avenue to Cedric Avenue.

Holland Park Avenue operates overnight permit parking from 12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m., on the south side, from a point 52 metres east of Oakwood Avenue to Winona Drive.

The vehicle speed studies conducted in 2010 indicate that the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speeds of vehicles were less than 39 km/h and the average vehicle speeds were less than 33 km/h.

The 40 km/h speed limit policy considers various roadway characteristics including the presence of schools, the absence of municipal sidewalks and the width of the traveled portion of the road.

The application of the criteria established as part of the City's 40 km/h speed limit policy, has concluded that:

- Holland Park Avenue, from a point 52 metres east of Oakwood Avenue to Cedric Avenue, meets the warrant criteria for a 40 km/h speed limit given that on the remaining travel portion of the road is less than 4 metres in width for one-way operation where long term parking is permitted; and
- Holland Park Avenue, from Oakwood Avenue to a point 52 metres east of Oakwood Avenue, and from Cedric Avenue to Winona Drive, does not meet the warrant criteria for a 40 km/h speed limit.

However, in order to achieve a consistent vehicle operating speed on Holland Park Avenue, this division would support the installation of a 40 km/h speed limit on Holland Park Avenue from Oakwood Avenue to Winona Drive, which should promote a consistent operating speed.

Councillor Howard Moscoe supports the recommendations of this staff report.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1: Map – 40 km/h Speed Zone: Holland Park Ave (*ny10089\_map*)