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STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

40 km/h Speed Limit – Roads in the Community bounded by Coxwell Avenue, O'Connor Drive, Woodbine Avenue and Cosburn Avenue

Date:	April 7, 2010	
То:	Toronto and East York Community Council	
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District	
Wards:	Ward 31 – Beaches-East York	
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SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval to introduce 40 km/h speed limits on various roads in the neighbourhood bounded by Coxwell Avenue, O'Connor Drive, Woodbine Avenue and Cosburn Avenue.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

- 1. Reduce the speed limit from 50 km/h to 40 km/h speed limit on Binswood Avenue, Roblin Avenue, Glebemount Avenue and Norlong Boulevard, between O'Connor Drive and Cosburn Avenue.
- 2. Reduce the speed limit from 50 km/h to 40 km/h on Rednor Road, between Plains Road and Cosburn Avenue.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$2,400.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services received a request from Councillor Janet Davis, on behalf of area residents, to lower the existing speed limits on various streets in the area bounded by Coxwell Avenue, O'Connor Drive, Woodbine Avenue and Cosburn Avenue. This request was made as a result of speed concerns in this vicinity.

COMMENTS

All the streets in the area bordered by Coxwell Avenue, O'Connor Drive, Woodbine Avenue and Cosburn Avenue are classified in the City's road system as local roads. This area is primarily residential with single family homes. The pavement width of these roads is generally 9 metres. There is no transit service on any of the local roads in this vicinity.

Of the streets within the area in question, Binswood Avenue, Roblin Avenue, Glebemount Avenue, Norlong Boulevard and Rednor Road have speed limits of 50 km/h. The remaining streets - Treadway Boulevard, Hutton Avenue, Machockie Road and Woodmount Avenue, have speed limits of 40 km/h. Plains Road, with existing speed humps, has a 30 km/h speed limit. Cosburn Avenue, a minor arterial roadway, has a speed limit of 40 km/h.

On Binswood Avenue, Roblin Avenue, Glebemount Avenue, Norlong Boulevard and Rednor Road, parking is allowed on both sides of the street at all times. As well, there are three schools within the immediate area, East York Collegiate Institute, East York Alternative Secondary School and Canadian Martyrs. Although these schools do not directly abut any of these local streets, they are used by students on their regular routes to school.

Given the nature of all of the streets within the boundaries of Coxwell Avenue, O'Connor Drive, Woodbine Avenue and Cosburn Avenue, it would be beneficial to the community and the safety of the road users, to establish a consistent maximum speed limit of 40 km/h. This would require a reduction of speed limit from 50 km/h to 40 km/h on Binswood Avene, Roblin Avenue, Glebemount Avenue, Norlong Boulevard, and Rednor Road.

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