40 km/h Speed Zone: Giltspur Drive

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**SUMMARY**

As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a transit service on Giltspur Drive, City Council approval of this report is required.

To deny the request to amend the speed limit to 40 km/h on Giltspur Drive from Jane Street to Peterdale Road.

The existing traffic and roadway conditions do not warrant the installation of a 40 km/h speed zone on above noted location.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

1. Deny the amendments to the regulatory speed limit on Giltspur Drive from Jane Street to Peterdale Road.

**Financial Impact**

There is no financial impact associated with the adoption of this report.

**ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Transportation Services Division, North York District, was requested by the Ward Councillor, on behalf of the area residents to review the feasibility of reducing the regulatory speed limit to 40 km/h on Giltspur Drive.
COMMENTS

Transportation Services Division has reviewed the feasibility of reducing the speed limit on Giltspur Drive, from Jane Street to Peterdale Road from 50 km/h to 40 km/h. The 40 km/h speed limit policy considers various roadway characteristics, safety concerns, collision patterns, location of pedestrian generators such as school and the absence of municipal sidewalks.

Giltspur Drive is a designated local road with a regulatory speed limit of 50 km/h. The width of the roadway is approximately 8.5 metres with a municipal sidewalk on the north side of the roadway. Giltspur Drive operates as a two-lane roadway from Jane Street to Northover Street. Eastbound and westbound traffic is required to stop at Jane Street, Magellan Drive, Calico Drive and Northover Street. It should be noted that there is a school on Giltspur Drive at Calico Street, which is two blocks east of Peterdale Road.

In applying the criteria established as a part of the City’s 40 km/h speed limit policy, a reduction of the speed limit on Giltspur Drive is not justified. Specifically, given that there is a municipal sidewalk on the north side of the roadway and that there are no schools along this section of Giltspur Drive. Furthermore, it was noted that there have been zero collisions reported in the preceding three year period ending December 31, 2009, where vehicle speed was identified as a factor.

As such, this Division is unable to support a reduction of the speed limit to 40 km/h on Giltspur Drive.

The Ward Councillor has been advised of the recommendation contained within this report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1:  Map – Giltspur Drive, from Jane Street to Peterdale Road: 40 km/h Speed Zone

Attachment 2:  40 km/h Warrant Sheet Giltspur Drive