



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

40 km/h Speed Zone: Diana Drive, Appletree Court, Maryport Avenue and Jennifer Court

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| Date: | May 5, 2014 |
| To: | North York Community Council |
| From: | Director, Transportation Services, North York District |
| Wards: | Ward 9 – York Centre |
| Reference Number: | <i>p:/2014/ClusterB/TRA/NorthYork/ny14050</i> |

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that 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 obtain approval to amend the existing speed limit from 50 km/h to 40 km/h on Diana Drive, Appletree Court, Maryport Avenue and Jennifer Court.

The amendments to the regulatory speed limit will address the residents' request with regards to vehicle speeds.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Approve the implementation of a 40 km/h speed limit zone on Diana Drive from Keele Street to the west end of Diana Drive;
2. Approve the implementation of a 40 km/h speed limit zone on Appletree Court from Diana Drive to the north end of Appletree Court;

3. Approve the implementation of a 40 km/h speed limit zone on Maryport Avenue from Diana Drive to Keele Street; and
4. Approve the implementation of a 40 km/h speed limit zone on Jennifer Court from Maryport Avenue to the south end of Jennifer Court.

Financial Impact

All costs associated with the installation of a 40 km/h speed limit zone are included within the Transportation Services 2014 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services, North York District was requested by the Ward Councillor on behalf of the area residents to review the feasibility of introducing a 40 km/h speed limit on Diana Drive to promote slower speed and enhance safety for all road users and pedestrians.

COMMENTS

Diana Drive is classified as local roadway with a regulatory speed limit of 50 km/h. The pavement width on this road is approximately 8.5 metres. There are no municipal sidewalks on Diana Drive.

It should be noted that the City Council at it's meeting, on July 30, 31 and August 1, 2002 approved a city wide policy for the implementation of a 40 km/h speed limit. 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 travelled 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 Diana Drive meets the warrant criteria for a 40 km/h speed limit based on the absence of sidewalks.

In addition to the above roadway, our review has indicated that Appletree Court, Maryport Avenue and Jennifer Court, are all located within the same geographical area as Diana Drive. In fact, in order to access Jennifer Court or Appletree Court, motorists must use either Diana Drive or Maryport Avenue as the primary roadway into the community. All of these roadways with the exception of the east/west portion of Maryport Avenue do not have sidewalks.

Therefore, in order to promote slower speeds on all of the roadways within this community, this Division recommends the implementation of a 40 km/h speed limit on Diana Drive, Appletree Court, Maryport Avenue and Jennifer Court.

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

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – 40 km/h Speed Zone: 40 km/h Speed Zone: Diana Dr, Appletree Crt, Maryport Ave and Jennifer Crt