November 13, 2017

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF ETOBICOKE YORK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

RE: REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT ON PELHAM AVENUE, FROM OSLER STREET TO LAUGHTON AVENUE, TO 30 KM/HR

Pelham Avenue is 7.5 metres wide and classified as a two lane local road, which runs in an east-west direction from Osler Street in the west to Laughton Avenue in the east. The current speed limit on this street is 40 km/h.

I have received requests from residents on Pelham Avenue to reduce the speed limit on the street from 40 km/hr to 30 km/hr, in an effort to enhance pedestrian and school zone safety, as a result of the proximity to Charles-Sauriol Elementary School (55 Pelham Avenue) and the Pelham Avenue Parkette, located on the north side of Pelham Avenue, between Uxbridge and Laughton Avenue.

Overall, requests from residents of Ward 17 for speed reductions and traffic calming measures have increased in recent years. Residents of Pelham Avenue are concerned with vehicle speeds and traffic infiltration on their street. Furthermore, the City of Toronto's Vision Zero Road Safety Plan includes implementing enhanced safety measures within School Safety Zones.

I have consulted with Transportation Services who are in agreement that reducing the speed limit for Pelham Avenue would help mitigate speeding while improving school zone and pedestrian safety.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Etobicoke York Community Council:

1. Direct Transportation Services to reduce the speed limit on Pelham Avenue, from Osler Street to Laughton Avenue, to 30 km/hr.

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