

## **Speed Limit Reduction - Shaftesbury Street between Overbrook Place and Cavotti Crescent**

**Date:** May 18, 2017

**To:** North York Community Council

**From:** Acting Director, Transportation Service, North York District

**Wards:** Ward 10 - York Centre

### **SUMMARY**

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This staff report is about a matter for which 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.

Transportation Services recommends the approval of a speed limit reduction from 50 km/h to 40 km/h on Shaftesbury Street between Overbrook Place and Cavotti Crescent.

The extension of the existing 40 km/h speed limit will facilitate a consistent speed limit on Shaftesbury Street, as well as address safety concerns expressed by area residents.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

1. Reduce the speed limit from 50 km/h to 40 km/h on Shaftesbury Street between Overbrook Place and Cavotti Crescent.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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All costs associated with implementing a 40 km/h speed zone on Shaftesbury Street between Overbrook Place and Cavotti Crescent are included within the Transportation Services 2017 Operating Budget.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

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This report addresses a new initiative.

## **COMMENTS**

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Transportation Services was requested by the Ward Councillor on behalf of the local residents to investigate measures to lower vehicle speeds on Shaftesbury Street between Overbrook Place and Cavotti Crescent to address pedestrian safety concerns.

Shaftesbury Street is designated as a two-way north/south local roadway with a posted speed limit of 50 km/h between Codsell Avenue and Cavotti Crescent. These are the only two blocks where the regulatory speed limit is 50 km/h.

A review of the Toronto Police Service collision records over a three year period ending December 31, 2016, indicates that there has been no reported collisions involving speeding or pedestrians on Shaftesbury Street between Overbrook Place and Cavotti Crescent.

City Council, at its meeting on July 30, 31 and August 1, 2002, approved a city wide policy regarding the implementation requirements for a 40 km/h speed limit. The 40 km/h speed limit policy takes into consideration various roadway characteristics, safety concerns, location of pedestrian generators such as schools and parks contiguous to a school as well as roadways where there is an absence of municipal sidewalks.

The application of the criteria established as part of the City's 40 km/h speed limit policy has concluded that Shaftesbury Street between Overbrook Place and Cavotti Crescent meets the warrant criteria for a 40 km/h speed limit based on the absence of municipal sidewalks.

A 40 km/h speed limit zone is appropriate for the conditions on Shaftesbury Street between Overbrook Place and Cavotti Crescent and will enhance safety for all road users.

The implementation of a 40 km/h speed limit zone on Shaftesbury Street, between Overbrook Place and Cavotti Crescent, will address the residents' concern of the speed of vehicles approaching the residential area and will facilitate a consistent speed limit zone on Shaftesbury Street between Codsell Avenue and Cavotti Crescent.

The Ward Councillor is aware of the recommendations in this staff report.

## **CONTACT**

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Attachment 1: Map – Speed Limit Reduction: Shaftesbury Street between Overbrook Place and Cavotti Crescent