

Speed Limit Reduction - Reiner Road between Bathurst Street and Yeomans Road

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To: North York Community Council

From: Acting Director, Transportation Service, North York District

Wards: Ward 10 - York Centre

SUMMARY

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 Reiner Road between Bathurst Street and Yeomans Road.

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

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Acting 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 Reiner Road between Bathurst Street and Yeomans Road.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with implementing a 40 km/h speed zone on Reiner Road between Bathurst Street and Yeomans Road are included within the Transportation Services 2017 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services was requested by the Ward Councillor on behalf of the local residents to investigate measures to lower vehicle speeds on Reiner Road between Bathurst Street and Yeomans Road to address pedestrian safety concerns.

Reiner Road is designated as a two-way east/west local roadway with a posted speed limit of 40 km/h between Yeomans Road and Banting Avenue. There are currently two blocks where the regulatory speed limit is 50 km/h between Bathurst Street and Yeomans Road. Municipal sidewalks are located on both sides of Reiner Road between Bathurst Street and Hammell Street, and only on the south side of the road between Hammell Street and Yeomans Road. The pavement width on these two blocks is approximately 8.5 metres.

Two public schools are located on Reiner Road between Yeomans Road and Faywood Boulevard. Site observations revealed that a significant number of school children are bicycling along Reiner Road.

A review of the Toronto Police Service collision records over a three year period ending March 31, 2017, indicates that there has been no reported collisions involving speeding or pedestrians on Reiner Road between Bathurst Street and Yeomans Road.

The implementation of a 40 km/h speed limit zone on Reiner Road, between Bathurst Street and Yeomans Road, will address the residents' concern of the speed of vehicles approaching the school zones and will facilitate a consistent speed limit zone on Reiner Road between Bathurst Street and Banting Avenue.

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

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – Speed Limit Reduction: Reiner Road between Bathurst Street and Yeomans Road