

**City Council****Notice of Motion**

MM36.15	ACTION			Ward: All
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**Protecting All Vulnerable Pedestrians with Speed Enforcement Cameras - by Councillor John Filion, seconded by Councillor Mike Layton**

*\* Notice of this Motion has been given.  
\* This Motion is subject to referral to the Infrastructure and Environment Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

**Recommendations**

Councillor John Filion, seconded by Councillor Mike Layton, recommends that:

1. City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services to report to the Infrastructure and Environment Committee on an implementation plan to expand the areas eligible for placing Automated Speed Enforcement cameras in conjunction with reports on expanding the number of cameras in use, and addressing measures such as designating all Senior Safety Zones as Community Safety Zones, making them eligible for Automated Speed Enforcement deployment.

**Summary**

In 2020, the City of Toronto began its rollout of Automated Speed Enforcement cameras using photo and radar technologies to more consistently apply penalties to drivers travelling in excess of posted speed limits.

With 50 cameras in circulation, 227,322 tickets were issued to vehicles travelling in excess of speed limits during the first year of operation between July 6, 2021 and July 5, 2021 in various school zones.

Data collected during the first year of operation has indicated that Automated Speed Enforcement devices have been effective at lowering speed limits, but that significant work is still needed, even in the limited areas where Automated Speed Enforcement cameras have been installed to date. This has led to calls to expand the Automated Speed Enforcement program, such as the motion adopted by the Infrastructure and Environment Committee on September 14, 2021 (IE24.16).

In addition to expanding camera counts, the City of Toronto must also expand the number of locations in which Automated Speed Enforcement cameras are eligible for placement. The current Automated Speed Enforcement program places cameras only in designated school

zones, leaving other vulnerable populations unprotected.

The Ontario Highway Traffic Act currently allows for placement of Automated Speed Enforcement cameras both in school zones or designated Community Safety Zones. However, City Council placed a moratorium on establishing new Community Safety Zones in 2002 creating an obstacle to establishing new Automated Speed Enforcement areas.

The consideration of any expansion to the Automated Speed Enforcement. The program presents an opportunity to review and adjust the City's policy of establishing new Community Safety Zones. Doing so would allow other sensitive areas, such as existing Senior Safety Zones to be assigned this designation making them eligible for Automated Speed Enforcement deployment and protection.

This review and an action plan for implementation should be included with the next report on Automated Speed Enforcement expansion.

### **Background Information (City Council)**

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