

## **Traffic Calming (Speed Humps) - Old York Mills Road**

**Date:** March 13, 2026

**To:** North York Community Council

**From:** Director, Enforcement and Street Management, Transportation Services

**Wards:** Ward 15 - Don Valley West

### **SUMMARY**

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This staff report is about a matter that Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services is recommending the installation of speed humps on Old York Mills Road, between Yonge Street and York Mills Road. Staff's assessment indicates the criteria as set out in the Traffic Calming Policy has been satisfied. Therefore, speed humps should be installed on Old York Mills Road, between Yonge Street and York Mills Road.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The Director, Enforcement and Street Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. North York Community Council authorize the installation of traffic calming (three speed humps) on Old York Mills Road, between Yonge Street and York Mills Road, generally as shown in Attachment 3, Drawing No. TC-657, dated February 2026, from the Director, Enforcement and Street Management, Transportation Services.
2. Subject to approval of Recommendations 1 above, North York Community Council reduce the speed limit from 40 km/h to 30 km/h on Old York Mills Road, between Yonge Street and York Mills Road, in conjunction with the installation of speed humps.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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The estimated cost for installing three (3) speed humps on Old York Mills Road, between Yonge Street and York Mills Road is \$12,000. Funding is subject to availability

and competing priorities within the Transportation Services Interim 2026 Operating and Capital Budgets.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

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This report addresses a new initiative.

## **COMMENTS**

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Transportation Services received a request from the Ward Councillor, on behalf of area residents, to investigate the feasibility of installing speed humps on Old York Mills Road, between Yonge Street and York Mills Road. The residents are concerned that motorists travel at a high rate of speed on Old York Mills Road.

### **Existing Conditions**

Old York Mills Road is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two-lane, east-west local roadway that curves north to intersect York Mills Road
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of approximately 8.5 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 2,000 vehicles
- The speed limit is 40 km/h
- Heavy trucks are permitted at all times
- There is no Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) service provided
- There is an entrance to the York Mills subway station on the southeast corner of Old York Mills Road and Yonge Street
- There are sidewalks located on both sides of the street

The land use in the area consists of a multi-storey residential dwelling on the north side and a park on the south side. This subject section of Old York Mills Road is not within a designated community safety zone.

A map of the area and proposed locations of the speed humps is included as Attachment 2.

### **Study Results**

As part of our assessment, the traffic calming warrant criteria was applied to a vehicle speed and volume study conducted on Old York Mills Road from June 14-16, 2022.

The study results on Old York Mills Road disclosed the following:

- 24-hour total vehicle volume is 2,110 vehicles
- The block length from Yonge Street to York Mills Road is 240 metres
- The operating speed, which is the speed at which 85 percent of traffic is travelling at or below, was observed at 39 km/h

- The 95th percentile speed, which is the speed at which 95 percent of traffic is travelling at or below, was observed at 44 km/h

Based on the study results, Old York Mills Road has satisfied the warrant criteria for both minimum block length and minimum vehicle speed. The block length was greater than 120 metres and the operating speed is 9 km/h over the warranted speed of 30 km/h.

The overall investigation concluded that the eligibility and warrant criteria as outlined in the updated Traffic Calming Policy has been satisfied. Therefore, staff recommend the installation of speed humps on Old York Mills Road.

### **Relative Priority and Other Impacts**

In the event that the number of approved requests for roadway traffic calming measures exceed the budget allocated for installation, funding for approved installations will be prioritized using a Prioritization Score. This score is made up of a Quantitative Score and a Qualitative Score.

The Quantitative Score is based on the results of the data collection, including travel speeds and traffic volumes to prioritize locations with higher vehicle speeds and volumes.

The Qualitative Score includes:

- Collision history to prioritize locations with a history of serious injury or fatal collisions and those involving a pedestrian or person cycling
- Equity to prioritize equity-deserving communities with a high-concentration of priority populations and those that are transportation disadvantaged
- Expected presence of vulnerable road users (elderly population, school children and pedestrians, including transit riders) to prioritize locations with a higher risk of fatal and serious injury collisions

The Quantitative and Qualitative Scores are averaged to provide the complete Prioritization Score. Old York Mills Road, between Yonge Street and York Mills Road, scored 32 ranking points out of a possible 100.

No alterations to parking regulations will be required, nor will the number of parking spaces be affected by the installation of speed humps. Installation of speed humps will have minimal effect on winter services, street cleaning and garbage collection.

## **Consultation with Emergency Services**

Consultation with emergency services (Toronto Police Service, Toronto Fire Services and Toronto Paramedic Services) is required to ensure that the design and layout of a traffic calming proposal does not unduly affect their operations. Emergency services were advised of this proposal.

Toronto Paramedic Services responded and advised that the installation of speed humps will impact their response and transport times. A copy of their full response is included as Attachment 3.

Comments have not been received back at the time of writing this report from Toronto Police Service and Toronto Fire Services. Installing speed humps will result in slower operating speeds for all vehicles, including emergency service vehicles.

The Ward Councillor has been advised of the recommendation in this report.

## **CONTACT**

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## **SIGNATURE**

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Director, Enforcement and Street Management,  
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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Attachment 1: Traffic Calming Warrant - Old York Mills Road, between Yonge Street and York Mills Road

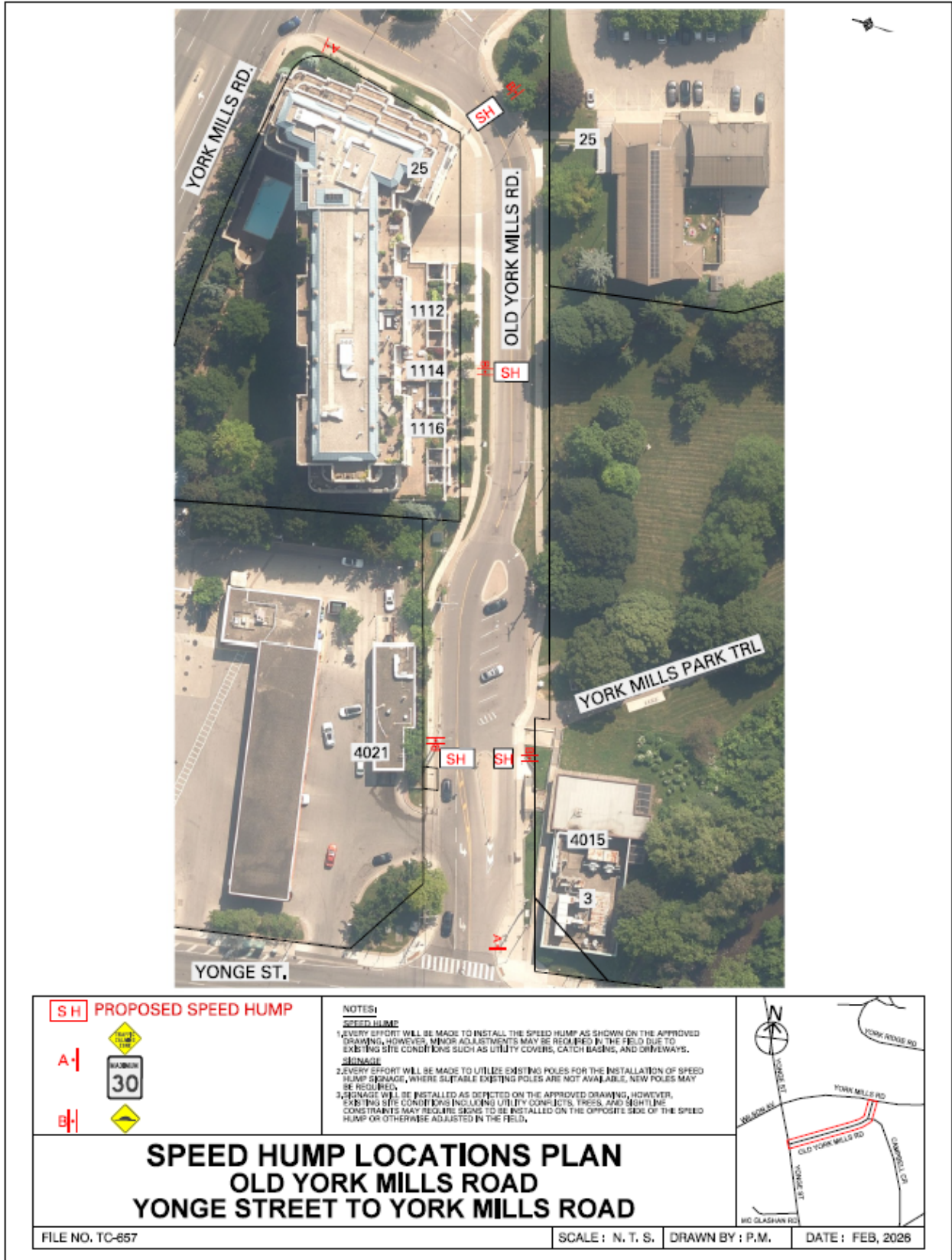
Attachment 2: Speed Hump Locations Plan - Old York Mills Road

Attachment 3: Memo from Toronto Paramedic Services, dated February 2026

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Criteria		Requirement	Warrant Satisfied?
Community Support		A direct request from the Ward Councillor OR identified by Transportation Services in consultation with the Ward Councillor	Yes
Eligibility Criteria	Road Classification	Classified as a local or collector roadway, according to the Toronto Road Classification System	Yes
	Sidewalks	Presence of a sidewalk on at least one side of a local roadway and both sides of a collector roadway is preferred but not required	Yes
	Traffic Volume	Maximum average daily traffic volume of less than 8,000 vehicles per day	Yes
	Road Grade	Maximum roadway grade of up to 5%, can be considered in locations where the road grade is between 5% and 8% with additional review	Yes
	Emergency Services	No significant impacts on emergency services, including Toronto Fire, Paramedic and Police Services	Yes/No
	Transit Services	No significant impacts to regularly scheduled Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) services	NA
Warrant Criteria	Minimum Block Length	Minimum block length of 120 metres based on the measured distance from centre to centre of controlled intersections AND	Yes (220 m)
	85th percentile speed	Minimum 85th percentile speed of 8 km/h over the warranted speed limit OR	Yes (39 km/h)
	95th percentile speed	Minimum 95th percentile speed of 15 km/h over the warranted speed limit	NO (44 km/h)

Attachment 2: Speed Hump Locations Plan - Old York Mills Road



### Attachment 3: Letter from Toronto Paramedic Services, dated February 2026

**From:** EMS Planning  
**Sent:** January 20, 2026 8:47 AM  
**To:** Temitope Oyeyemi  
**Cc:** Atif Sharif; EMS Planning  
**Subject:** RE: Speed Humps Location - Old York Mills Road, between Yonge Street and York Mills Road

Hi Temitope,

We have received and reviewed the proposal for installation of speed humps on Old York Mills Road, between Yonge Street and York Mills Road, with the following comments:

The installation of speed humps on Old York Mills Road, between Yonge Street and York Mills Road, will impact response and transport times for residents that reside on the roadway speed humps are installed. Impacts may extend to community members if Old York Mills Road, between Yonge Street and York Mills Road, serves access to other roadways. It is important that the applicant understands that the installation of traffic calming devices will reduce the speed that emergency vehicles travel when responding to emergencies on roadways where they are installed.

Toronto Paramedic Services is supportive of community initiatives that improve the safety of all citizens of, and visitors to, the City of Toronto. Traffic and pedestrian safety are key components of a healthy neighbourhood, and we endeavour to support the wishes of the community to implement measures to improve upon these components.



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**Subject:** Speed Humps Location - Old York Mills Road, between Yonge Street and York Mills Road

Hello All,

At the request of Ward 8 Councillor, Deputy Mayor Colle, we investigated the feasibility of installing speed humps on Old York Mills Road, between Yonge Street and York Mills Road. Our investigation results disclosed that Old York Mills Road meets the minimum criteria for the installation of speed humps based on the updated City of Toronto Traffic Calming Policy.

The proposed location plan is attached.

We are requesting for comments from Emergency Service agencies which will be included in a staff report to an upcoming meeting of the North York Community Council. Please, advise if the design and layout of speed humps would adversely affect your operations.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please, let me know.

Regards,

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