

Date: May 26, 2026

To: Scarborough Community Council

From: Mike Barnet, Director, Enforcement and Street Management

Re: Traffic Calming – Cleanside Road and Mendelssohn Street (Ward 20, Scarborough Southwest)

Transportation Services has been requested by the Ward 20 Councillor to provide recommended wording for recommendations they plan to present to the May 28, 2026, Scarborough Community Council. Staff request that this memorandum accompany the Councillor's letter.

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

Summary

- ☐ Staff **support** the draft recommendations provided below
- ☐ Staff **do not support** the draft recommendations provided below
- X Staff do not have sufficient data and/or time to determine if the draft recommendations provided below can be supported by staff, at this time.

Draft Recommendations

1. *Scarborough Community Council authorize the installation of traffic calming (nine speed humps) on Cleanside Road, between Warden Avenue and Pidgeon Street, generally as shown in Drawing Nos. TC-712 and TC-712-1, dated May 2026, from the Director, Enforcement and Street Management, Transportation Services.*
2. *Scarborough Community Council authorize the installation of traffic calming (four speed humps) on Mendelssohn Street, between Roper Road and Deans Drive, generally as shown in Drawing No. TC-714, dated May 2026, from the Director, Enforcement and Street Management, Transportation Services.*
3. *Scarborough Community Council authorize the installation of traffic calming (one speed hump) on Mendelssohn Street, between Deans Drive and Cleanside Road, generally as shown in Drawing No. TC-713, dated May 2026, from the Director, Enforcement and Street Management, Transportation Services.*

The Ward Councillor has requested staff to prepare the necessary documentation and supporting materials to seek Community Council approval for the installation of traffic calming measures (speed humps) on the following road sections:

- Cleanside Road, between Warden Avenue and Pidgeon Street
- Mendelssohn Street, between Roper Road and Cleanside Road.

As the Councillor has indicated they would like to forgo the study process, motorist speed and volume data were not collected, and staff have not evaluated the installation of traffic calming measures (speed humps) on the roadway. Staff conducted a site visit in May 2026 to map the proposed speed hump locations.

Although Cleanside Road (entire length) and Mendelssohn Street, between Deans Drive and Cleanside Road, have been dedicated as public highways, they have not yet been assumed and/or classified by the City of Toronto. As a result, physical changes to the road in the form of traffic calming measures (i.e. speed humps), cannot be installed on these road segments at this time. These installations will not occur until the roads are assumed.

Mendelssohn Street, between Roper Road and Deans Drive, has been dedicated and classified as a local road. Therefore, it is eligible to receive traffic calming measures following approval.

A companion Technical Memorandum, entitled “Cleanside Road and Surrounding Streets – Area-wide Speed Limit Reduction Amendments (Ward 20, Scarborough Southwest)”, dated May 26, 2026, addresses a related request to reduce speed limits on the surrounding streets in the neighbourhood.

Financial Impact

Staff have not been able to develop engineering estimates for this work but based on previous experience and similar work in the past, staff expect the costs associated with approving the draft recommendations above will be approximately \$56,000.00. This cost is broken down as follows:

- Cleanside Road, between Warden Avenue and Pidgeon Street (unassumed) – Nine speed humps totalling \$36,000.00
- Mendelssohn Street, between Deans Drive and Cleanside Road (unassumed) – One speed hump totalling \$4,000.00
- Mendelssohn Street, between Roper Road and Deans Drive (assumed, local) – Four speed humps totalling \$16,000.00

As this work was not anticipated, it has not been specifically included in any approved budgets. Completion of the work would be subject to availability and competing priorities within future Transportation Services Capital Budgets, unless a specific funding source is identified by the Councillor and approved by Toronto and East York Community Council. As noted, the speed hump installations on the two unassumed road sections will not occur until the roads are assumed.

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