

STAFF REPORT RPF014-14

September 8, 2014

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TO:

GENERAL COMMITTEE

SUBJECT:

COMMUNITY SAFETY ZONE & 40 km/h SPEED LIMIT - GUNN STREET

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RECOMMENDED MOTION

1. That Community Safety Zone (CSZ) By-Law 2003-160, Schedule "A", be amended by adding the following:

Street

From

To

In Effect

Gunn Street

63 metres east of Peel Street

A point 89 metres west of Oak Street

Anytime

2. That Rates of Speed By-Law 2002-19, Schedule "A" Authorized Rates of Maximum Speed - 40 Kilometres Per Hour, be amended by adding the following:

Street

From

To

Gunn Street

23 metres east of Peel Street

A point 57 metres west of Oak Street

PURPOSE & BACKGROUND

- 3. Staff Report RPF014-14 reviews a resident's concern regarding Gunn Street adjacent to Oakley Park School as not being posted as a Community Safety Zone or having a reduced speed limit of 40 km/h. The proposed recommendation to implement a Community Safety Zone and 40 km/h speed limit on Gunn Street adjacent to Oakley Park School is in line with Council adopted policies.
- 4. Oakley Park School is located at 22 Davidson Street which is also adjacent to Grove Street East and Gunn Street. Community Safety Zones and 40 km/h speed limits are installed on both Davidson Street and Grove Street East.
- 5. Gunn Street is a two (2) lane roadway and is classified as a local roadway, with a daily traffic volume of approximately 1000 vehicles. The posted speed limit on Gunn Street is 50 km/h.

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6. Community Safety Zones are to be installed, as per Council adopted Policy, on all roadways which are adjacent to school properties. The policy requires that Community Safety Zones adjacent to elementary schools have a reduced posted speed limit of 40km/h. Community Safety Zones adjacent to secondary schools do not have a reduced speed limit.

ANALYSIS

- 7. As Gunn Street is adjacent to Oakley Park School staff recommends the installation of a Community Safety Zone and 40 km/h posted speed limit on Gunn Street, in accordance with the Council adopted Community Safety Zone Policy. Please refer to Appendix "A" for the proposed limits of the Community Safety Zone and 40 km/h speed zone.
- 8. Staff recommend that Community Safety Zone (CSZ) By-Law 2003-160, Schedule "A", be amended by adding the following:

Street From To In Effect

Gunn Street 63 metres east of Peel Street A point 89 metres west of Oak Street Anytime

 Staff recommend that the Rates of Speed By-Law 2002-19, Schedule "A" Authorized Rates of Maximum Speed - 40 Kilometres Per Hour, be amended by adding the following:

Street From To

Gunn Street 23 metres east of Peel Street A point 57 metres west of Oak Street

- 10. The Community Safety Zone and 40 km/h posted speed limit is to be installed at a distance of approximately 250 metres beyond the school property. Appendix "A" identifies the proposed limits of the Community Safety Zone.
- 11. Community Safety Zones and 40 km/h posted speed limits are installed on both Davidson Street and Grove Street East in accordance with the Council adopted Community Safety Zone Policy.
- 12. Barrie Police Service, Barrie Fire and Emergency Service and Municipal Law Enforcement do not oppose the recommended motion.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

13. There are no environmental matters related to the recommendations.

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ALTERNATIVES

14. There are two (2) alternatives available for consideration by General Committee:

Alternative #1

General Committee could decide to not implement a Community Safety

Zone on Gunn Street.

This alternative is not recommended as this would go against the Council

adopted Community Safety Zone Policy.

Alternative #2

General Committee could decide to not implement a 40 km/h posted speed

limit on Gunn Street.

This alternative is not recommended as this would go against the Council adopted Community Safety Zone Policy because speed reductions are

recommended on roads adjacent to elementary schools.

FINANCIAL

15. The cost to implement the proposed Community Safety Zone and 40 km/h speed limit is approximately \$1,500 which can be accommodated in the 2014 Operating Budget.

LINKAGE TO COUNCIL STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

16. The recommendation included in this Staff Report is not specifically related to any of City Council's Strategic Priorities.

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APPENDIX "A"

