

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING – DECEMBER 8, 2003

ST. ANGELA MERICI CATHOLIC SCHOOL PROPOSED SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

1. That the existing school crossing guard be relocated:
 - from the west side of the Martin Grove Road and Castlepoint Drive/Dolores Crescent intersection to #8890/#8894 Martin Grove Road, in front of St. Angela Merici School;
2. That the existing school crossing guard be removed:
 - from the north side of Martin Grove Road and Castlepoint Drive/Dolores Crescent intersection; and
3. That the approved speed hump measure in front of St. Angela Merici School be changed to a raised crosswalk measure to further identify the school crossing location.

Purpose

A request was received from a representative of the St. Angela Merici Catholic School Council for a school crossing guard to be located at the intersection of Martin Grove Road and Dolores Crescent/Andy Crescent.

Background - Analysis and Options

In response to the request, staff reviewed the feasibility of implementing a school crossing guard at Martin Grove Road and Dolores Crescent/Andy Crescent. St. Angela Merici Catholic School is located on the north side of Martin Grove Road east of Andy Crescent. The area is shown on Attachment No. 1.

There are two existing crossing guard locations for St. Angela Merici School located at the intersection of Martin Grove Road and Castlepoint Drive/Dolores Crescent (west/north sides of the intersection). In keeping with our practice to place crossing guards only at busier locations, staff is recommending the elimination of the crossing guard at Martin Grove Road and Dolores Crescent/Castlepoint Drive (north side of intersection). Students crossing the side street have minimal conflicts to safely cross the street.

Council has approved (September 8, 2003 – Woodbridge Meadows Neighbourhood Traffic Committee Plan) a speed hump to be located in front of St. Angela Merici School. The speed hump will be installed in 2004. To best serve students crossing Martin Grove Road arriving from both west and east of the school, staff is recommending the crossing guard at Martin Grove Road and Castlepoint Drive/Dolores Crescent (west side of the intersection), be relocated to the new speed hump location. Council approval will be required to make the new speed hump measure to a raised crosswalk measure in order to facilitate a crossing guard and to further identify the school crossing location.

Staff reviewed in the field that this location for the school crossing guard in front of the school would provide an opportunity for children living on Dolores Crescent (west section) to safely cross Martin Grove Road with the assistance of a school crossing guard.

Staff will confirm the appropriateness of this location in January 2004 and will recommend changes/additions/deletions to the number of school crossing guards as deemed necessary. Staff will arrange to install stopping prohibition signs 30 metres either side of the school crossing to ensure sufficient visibility of the school crossing guard and children.

Conclusion

Based on our review, it is recommended:

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Attachments

1. Location Map

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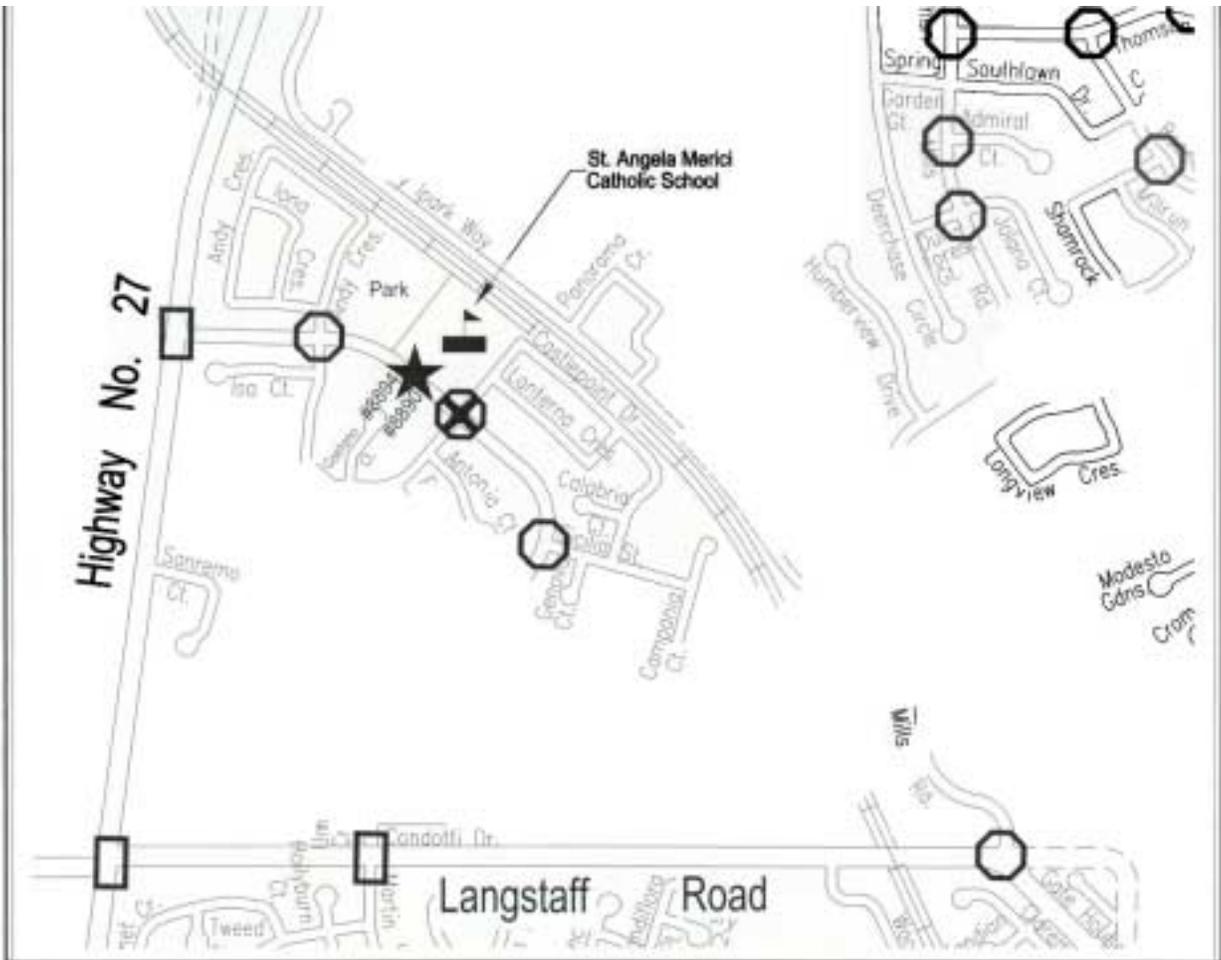
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PROPOSED SUPERVISED SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD LOCATION**

LEGEND

-  PROPOSED RELOCATED SUPERVISED SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD LOCATION
-  EXISTING SUPERVISED SCHOOL CROSSING TO BE RELOCATED
-  EXISTING TRAFFIC SIGNALS
-  EXISTING ALLWAY STOP CONTROL



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