

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - JANUARY 16, 2006**

**TRAFFIC CALMING PROVINCIAL STATEMENT**

**Recommendation**

Local and Regional Councillor Linda D. Jackson recommends that the City of Vaughan adopt a resolution similar to that of the City of Kitchener:

- That the Province of Ontario be requested to amend its legislation to remove the requirement for Environmental Assessments for the implementation of traffic calming measures, and
- That the aforementioned resolution be circulated to area municipalities and to the City of Kitchener.

**Economic Impact**

Nil

**Purpose**

To address the delays associated with the implementation of traffic calming measures and to support the efforts of the City of Kitchener.

**Background - Analysis and Options**

Vehicles routinely speed on City of Vaughan roads and use local streets as a means of avoiding traffic or delays along our regional roads. If an effort to curb this activity, the City of Vaughan in partnership with traffic calming committees (comprised of area residents) formulates a proposal to install various traffic calming features. This proposal is the result of several public meetings. One component of the traffic calming process is approval from the Ministry of the Environment.

In several instances, where a minimum of one individual has opposed the traffic calming proposal, long delays have resulted due the requirements of the Ministry of the Environment. These delays have resulted in several accidents and a fatality.

**Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007**

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council.

**Attachments**

1. Copy of letter from City of Kitchener to Regional Municipality of York

**Report prepared by:**

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Respectfully submitted,

Linda D. Jackson  
Local and Regional Councillor



Office of the City Clerk

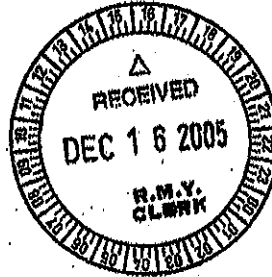
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Regional Municipality of York  
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Dear Mr. Kelly:

Re: Traffic Calming Provincial Statement

This is to advise that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kitchener at its meeting held December 12, 2005 passed the following resolution:

"That the Province be requested to amend its legislation to remove the requirement for Environmental Assessments for the implementation of traffic calming measures; and further,

That the aforementioned request be circulated to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario municipalities having a population of greater than 100,000."

Yours very truly,

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