

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE JUNE 18, 2007

AUTUMN HILL BOULEVARD –TRAFFIC CALMING

Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco recommends:

1. That staff be directed to review the need for and feasibility of traffic calming measures for Autumn Hill Boulevard;
2. That staff and the Local Councillor meet with the community in July 2007 to discuss a traffic calming plan and to form a traffic calming committee; and
3. That staff report to a future Committee of the Whole following the community meeting.

Economic Impact

N/A.

Purpose

To alleviate speeding issues along Autumn Hill Boulevard.

Background - Analysis and Options

Autumn Hill Boulevard is a collector road that extends between Dufferin Street and Bathurst Street in the Thornhill Woods subdivision, with a statutory speed limit of 40 kilometres per hour.

At a recent community meeting, numerous residents requested that traffic calming measures be investigated for the roadway. The residents have also indicated that due to speeding traffic, several motor vehicle collisions have occurred on Autumn Hill Boulevard, adding to the safety concerns of the community.

Additionally, Autumn Hill Boulevard has become a throughfare roadway, as a high volume of traffic utilizes this roadway as an access road between Dufferin Street and Bathurst Street, especially during peak traffic times. The volume of throughfare traffic does add to the speeding issues of the roadway, creating a safety concern for the residents of the community.

The residents expressed a sense of urgency in forming the traffic calming committee, as they would like the committee to use the summer months to meet and form a traffic calming plan that could come back to the community and to Council in the Fall.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

A-2 Promote Community Safety, Health & Wellness

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

Conclusion

It is recommended that staff be directed to investigate the necessity and feasibility of traffic calming measures for the entirety of Autumn Hill Boulevard in order to address the ongoing concerns over speeding along the roadway. It is also recommended that a community meeting be held to discuss a traffic calming plan and to form a traffic calming committee.

Attachments

N/A

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Respectfully submitted,

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