

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE JUNE 16, 2008

VEHICULAR SPEED REDUCTION MEASURES JACOB KEFFER PARKWAY AT TUDOR PARK

Recommendation

Mayor Linda D. Jackson recommends:

1. THAT the speed limit on Jacob Keffer Parkway be reduced from 50 kilometers per hour to 40 kilometers per hour between Basaltic Road and Corrine Court;
2. THAT a three-way stop control be installed at the intersection of Jacob Keffer Parkway and Corrine Court;
3. THAT "Children Playing" (or similar) signage be installed, in both directions, on either side of Tudor Park;
4. THAT an enacting bylaw be available at the Council meeting of June 23, 2008; and
5. THAT all work associated with locates and sign installation be performed as soon as possible.

Economic Impact

There will be a nominal cost for the installation of speed limit, warning and stop control signage.

Communications Plan

None required.

Purpose

To address the concerns, regarding speeding vehicles on Jacob Keffer Parkway, of Vaughan residents who frequent Tudor Park with their children for recreational purposes.

Background - Analysis and Options

The City of Vaughan Baseball and Softball Association has expressed concerns, on behalf of their registered members who frequent Tudor park for recreational purposes, regarding the volume and speed of vehicular traffic on Jacob Keffer Parkway. Their concerns are for the safety of the children who attend Tudor Park for the purposes of baseball and softball games.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

Enhance and ensure community safety, health and wellness. This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council.

Regional Implications

There are no Regional implications.

Conclusion

In response to the concerns expressed by Vaughan residents and the City of Vaughan Baseball and Softball Association, it is appropriate to ensure the safety of children who frequent Tudor Park for recreational purposes, through vehicular speed reduction measures on Jacob Keffer Parkway.

Attachments

1. Letter from Frank Crudo, President, City of Vaughan Baseball and Softball Association
2. Petition from City of Vaughan residents

Report prepared by:

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Respectfully submitted,

Linda D. Jackson



June 13, 2008

Dear Madam Mayor and Council,

This letter is in response to an ever growing problem we are having at Tudor Park from excessive speed on Jacob Keiffer Way.

Tudor Park was built approximately 20 years ago at 300 Jacob Keiffer Way, well before most of the industrial buildings that are there now. Since then, the park has been surrounded by industrial businesses, roadways have become through ways for trucks and cars. Trucks and cars just fly down this street with speeds hovering 100 km/hr.

For the CVBA and other user groups, Tudor Park has become one of the most highly used park for both baseball and softball games. This park on any given night will have 12 teams at the diamonds, which represents over 300 people. Since there is no parking, parents are forced to park on both sides of the street in order to get to the diamonds. With that, the risk of injury is high, as many young kids will dart across the street from between parked cars.

Therefore, we are asking the City to help with this problem by:

- A] Get the speed limit reduced from 50 km/hr to 40 km/hr, and posted
- B] Post all necessary signs to alert drivers that they are coming into a "park" area
- C] Install a new stop sign (3-way), at the corner of Corrine Court and Jacob Keiffer Way.

On behalf of the parents and children of the CVBA, I want to thank you in advance for your consideration to this matter.

Regards,

Frank Crudo
President
City of Vaughan Baseball & Softball Association

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NOTICE OF PETITION

A petition has been submitted with respect to the following matter and a copy is on file in the office of the City Clerk:

Agenda Item No.: 75

Item Name: **VEHICULAR SPEED REDUCTION MEASURES
JACOB KEFFER PARKWAY AT TUDOR PARK**

Particulars of the Petition:

Dated: _____

No. of Signatures: 47

Submitted by: City of Vaughan residents

For a copy of the petition contact:

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