

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE JANUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2006

### SHERWOOD PARK DRIVE – TRAFFIC CALMING & SAFETY MEASURES

In response to resident concerns, Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco recommends:

1. That staff be directed to investigate the feasibility of installing speed humps along Sherwood Park Drive; and
2. That staff be directed to advise on the installation of a safety barrier in front of the Sherwood Parkette, directly in front of the bend in Sherwood Park Drive.

#### Economic Impact

To be determined

#### Purpose

To address ongoing safety concerns on Sherwood Park Drive

#### Background - Analysis and Options

Residents of Sherwood Park Drive have expressed ongoing concerns regarding the traffic infiltration from Keele Street and Rutherford who use Sherwood Park Drive as a 'cut-through' to avoid the intersection of Keele and Rutherford. Specific turning prohibitions were proposed by the Region of York and a survey of the residents was taken. With no clear mandate, a community meeting was convened on November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2005 with the residents of Sherwood Park Drive, Alberta Drive and Wedgewood Place.

At that meeting, the community continued to express serious concerns over speeding and other moving traffic violations that result from traffic using Sherwood Park Drive as a 'cut through' between Keele Street and Rutherford Road. As part of these discussions and various requests to the local Councillor, residents requested that the City of Vaughan investigate traffic calming measures – specifically the feasibility and necessity of installing speed humps along Sherwood park drive.

In addition to the traffic calming measures, residents requested the installation of a safety barrier/fence in front of Sherwood Parkette as its location at the bend/curve of Sherwood Park Drive together with speeding vehicles along Sherwood Park Drive combine to form a very unsafe situation for the community members who use the parkette.

#### Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

1.1.3 Identify and implement innovative traffic management alternatives to improve general traffic safety.

1.1.4 Identify and implement improvements to existing City facilities and parks to optimize community safety.

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

#### Conclusion

In response to community concerns, Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco recommends that staff be directed to investigate the necessity and feasibility of installing speed humps along Sherwood

Park Drive. As well, that staff be directed to advise on the installation of a safety fence in front of the Sherwood Parkette in order to enhance the safety of the residents who utilize the park.

**Attachments**

N/A

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Respectfully submitted,  
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