COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – JULY 6, 2010

ALLWAY STOP CONTROL AT PLEASANT RIDGE AVENUE & COLTRANE DRIVE - WARD 4

Recommendation

Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco recommends:

That an allway stop control be installed at the intersection of Pleasant Ridge Avenue and Coltrane Drive.

Contribution to Sustainability

N/A

Economic Impact

The cost to install the stop signs and stop bars are provided for in the current Operating Budget. The ongoing costs to maintain the signs and pavement markings would be incorporated into future Operating Budgets.

Communications Plan

N/A

Purpose

To resolve traffic operational concerns at the intersection of Pleasant Ridge Avenue and Coltrane Drive, in response to area residents.

Background - Analysis and Options

Residents have contacted our office regarding traffic concerns and safety issues along Pleasant Ridge Avenue, between Autumn Hill Boulevard and Summeridge Drive. The segment of Pleasant Ridge Avenue between Autumn Hill Boulevard and Summeridge Drive is approximately 1 kilometre in length and currently no allway stop controls exist on this stretch of road.

With the opening of the North Thornhill Community Centre, there has been an increase in traffic utilizing Pleasant Ridge Avenue in order to access entry and exit into the community centre driveways. Therefore, an allway stop control on Pleasant Ridge Avenue would be beneficial to deal with the increased traffic on the roadway and would address some of the safety concerns brought forward.

Since Coltrane Drive is mid-block along this portion of Pleasant Ridge Avenue, and it aligns with the new community centre's southern driveway access, it would be the most appropriate location for an allway stop control. As well, Coltrane Drive is the only street within this segment of Pleasant Ridge that intersects and provides access to Thornhill Woods Drive, and as a result it will also see an increase in traffic as it will be utilized by residents to access the North Thornhill Community Centre.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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.

Regional Implications

None

Conclusion

In response to concerns outlined by area residents, and in consultation with Engineering Services staff, it would be beneficial that an allway stop control be placed at the intersection of Pleasant Ridge Avenue and Coltrane Drive.

Attachments

None

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Respectfully submitted,

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