



Hamilton

INFORMATION REPORT

TO:	Chair and Members Public Works Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	November 15, 2021
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Ancaster Village Heritage Community Requesting Community Safety Zone (PW21065) (Ward 12) (Outstanding Business List Item)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	Ward 12
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COUNCIL DIRECTION

At Council on August 21, 2020 under Item 4.14, it was motioned that Transportation, Operations & Maintenance report back to the Public Works Committee regarding the designation of a community safety zone within the Ancaster Village Heritage Community.

INFORMATION

The Ancaster Village Heritage Community (AVHC) brought forward a request to designate the Maywood neighbourhood a Community Safety Zone (CSZ) in order to deter cut-through traffic within the Maywood neighbourhood which is bounded by Wilson Street East, Church Street, Lodor Street, Academy Street, and Rousseaux Street. Part of AVHC's request for the CSZ was to raise driver awareness that they are entering a residential neighbourhood.

In order to designate a CSZ, the Council approved selection guideline (PW20045) is utilized to rank candidate locations against criteria including risk exposure, collision activity, and built environment. The final ranking must achieve a minimum of 25 points in

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order to be designated as a CSZ. The score is then further utilized to prioritize CSZ implementation throughout the City.

Transportation, Operations & Maintenance reviewed the Maywood neighbourhood utilizing the CSZ selection guideline to assess the local roadways within and in combination with a five-year collision analysis (2015-2020). Scores assigned to each road ranged between 12 and 18 points. These scores do not meet the minimum requirement of 25 points, and it is not recommended to designate the Maywood Neighbourhood as a CSZ.

In consideration of the AVHC's request for the CSZ was in part to raise driver awareness and that drivers are entering a residential neighbourhood, the Maywood neighbourhood is a part of the City of Hamilton's Bill 65 Neighbourhood Speed Limit Reduction Implementation (PW19058), scheduled for implementation in 2022. The speed limit reduction initiative reduces roadway speed limits within neighbourhoods to 40 km/h and 30 km/h in designated school zones. This is achieved by installing gateway feature signage on both sides of roadways entering neighbourhoods to advise roadway users they are entering/exiting a 40 km/h area.

While the Neighbourhood Speed Limit Reduction project differs from the AVHC's original request for a CSZ, it is anticipated to impact driver behaviour in ways consistent with the intent of their request. Transportation, Operations & Maintenance will monitor the safe use of roadways within the Maywood neighbourhood, particularly after speed reductions are completed, and determine if any further enhancements are required.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

N/A