Briarwood Neighbourhood Traffic Review

ISSUE

Through the Neighbourhood Traffic Review (NTR) process, a Traffic Plan for the Briarwood neighbourhood was developed in consultation with the community in response to concerns such as speeding, traffic shortcutting, and pedestrian safety.

BACKGROUND

A public meeting was held on April 16, 2019 to identify traffic concerns and potential solutions within the Briarwood neighbourhood. Based on the residents' input provided at the initial public meeting and the analysis of the traffic data collected, a Neighbourhood Traffic Plan was developed and presented to the community at a second public meeting held on October 15, 2019. Additional feedback received at the follow-up public meeting was also incorporated into the NTR.

The proposed improvements were circulated to: Saskatoon Police Service, Saskatoon Light & Power, Saskatoon Fire Department, Parking Services, Roadways, Fleet & Support, and Saskatoon Transit, and their comments were incorporated into the NTR recommendations.

CURRENT STATUS

To improve safety in the Briarwood neighbourhood, the following will be completed:

- Standard crosswalks
- Curb extensions
- Median islands
- Speed display boards
- Pedestrian ramp
- Centerline pavement markings

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

The Briarwood Neighbourhood Traffic Review is included as Appendix 1.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The costs are summarized in the following table:

Item	2020-2021	Beyond 2021
Signs, Pavement Markings & Temporary Traffic Calming	\$6,600	-
Speed Display Board		minimal
Permanent Traffic Calming	-	\$100,000
Pedestrian Ramp	-	\$ 3,500
TOTAL	\$6,600	\$103,500

There is sufficient funding within Capital Project #1512 – Neighbourhood Traffic Management to undertake the work in 2020 and 2021, which includes implementation of all signage, pavement markings, and temporary traffic calming measures. The remainder of the work, beyond 2021, including implementation of permanent traffic calming measures, will be considered alongside all other improvements identified through the NTR Program. The Administration will include these in the multi-year business plan and budget submission package listing the projects recommended to be funded and the rationale used to prioritize the projects.

OTHER IMPLICATIONS

There are no privacy, legal, social, or environmental implications identified.

NEXT STEPS

The installation of each proposed improvement will be implemented in three specific time frames as follows:

Short-term (1 to 2 years)	Temporary traffic calming measures, signage, pavement markings, speed display boards
Medium-term (3 to 5 years)	Permanent traffic calming devices
Long-term (5 years plus)	Pedestrian ramp

The temporary traffic calming installations will begin as early as spring 2020. The annual report on the NTRs will provide an update on the status of converting the temporary measures to a permanent condition.

APPENDICES

1. Briarwood Neighbourhood Traffic Review

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