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Subject 7.3.1 - Residential Speed Limit Review

Meeting (if known) SPC on Transportation.

Comments

On behalf on Walking Saskatoon, an advocacy group for pedestrians in Saskatoon, I am writing to support the city administration recommendation of a 40 km/h speed limit for residential streets.

Lower speed limits reduce the probability of collisions with pedestrians, reduce the likelihood of serious injury or death in case of a collision, and increases the transportation mode share of walking.

Increasing the amount of pedestrian trips should be of primary importance to city council given not only the environmental, health and financial benefits to citizens of Saskatoon but also the financial benefits to the city given the hugely lower capital and manintenance costs of pedestrian traffic as compared to vehicular traffic. In a city that is facing consecutive 5% property tax increases as part of this budget cycle, promoting walking is a great investment in a more fiscally sustainable future for ratepayers.

While Walking Saskatoon strongly supports lower speed limits, the most effective way to make streets safer for all users is to modify street design according to Vision Zero principles. Accordingly, we would like this committee to ask city administration to report on the installation of speed ramps on roads adjoining parks, schools, and other residential streets with high pedestrian-vehicle collision likelihood. This is already done in parts of Saskatoon, including Silverwood and Downtown, and is the most effective way to lower speeds with zero enforcement cost.

## Attachments Will you be submitting a video to be vetted prior to council meeting? No