

Saskatoon Transit Feedback

A reduction change in speed limit along residential streets and collector streets will impact Saskatoon Transit's delivery of total service hours to the City's overall transit network. Some routes would be impacted to a greater effect than others. In some cases, some routes may be impacted minimally while in other cases with greater impact. Obviously, a speed reduction to 30 km/h would have a greater impact on total service hours delivered than would a reduction to 40 km/h. Transit cannot state at this time to what extent these service hours would be affected with absolute certainty until further data is compiled and analyzed. Based on our initial analysis, there are many factors to consider which all contribute to overall bus travel times, frequency and average bus speeds. This level of data collection and analysis is doable but will require more time.

Saskatoon Transit has begun the process of compiling historical speed data to further conduct such a thorough and accurate analysis. Data has been requested for specific routes and sections of residential and collector streets where buses are travelling 50 km/h or below and where these potential speed reductions would take effect. Once this data has been collected and analyzed, Saskatoon Transit will be in a much better position to comment on the degree to which these changes will impact Transit operations and the amount of additional service hours will be required to maintain the current level of transit service and frequency.

In preparation for a future more detailed response on what these service hour impacts may be, Saskatoon Transit will continue to extract and review this data so that our analysis will be thorough, based on reliable and complete data.