

To: Chair and Members of the Planning & Development Committee
From: Councillor Jack Dennison
Date: May 23, 2018
Re: New Street / Request for Speed Limit Review

The speed limit on New Street is currently 60 km/hr with a '40 km/hr when Flashing' speed limit during school times.

New Street is considered an arterial road with the main function of moving traffic. However, New Street is more than just an arterial road. It also hosts its own community with many residents, elementary schools, high schools, daycares, parks and pools all fronting on New Street - for all intents and purposes a neighbourhood collector.

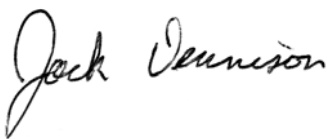
Now that New Street has reverted back to four lanes of traffic, speeding has increased, as has the cut-through traffic. For area residents, traffic safety continues to be of concern.

Guelph, Walkers, and Appleby Lines are all 50 km/hr north and south of New Street, with north being four lanes. New Street itself is 50 km/hr west of Guelph Line and drops back to 50 km/hr at the Oakville border.

Safety and traffic calming in all of our communities should be a number one priority. As such, I am bringing the following staff direction forward for your consideration:

Direct the Director of Transportation Services to review and consider reducing the speed limit on New Street from Burloak Drive to Guelph Line to 50 km/hr.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.



Jack Dennison
Ward 4 City & Regional Councillor

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