SUBJECT: School Zone Speed Limits - Full-time 40 km/hr  
(PW07134) - (Ward 7)

RECOMMENDATION:

(a) That the speed limits in the following school zones be approved at 40 km/hr:
   (i) Franklin Road between Upper Sherman Avenue and 150 m. west of East 24th Street;
   (ii) East 27th Street between Franklin Road and Burkholder Drive;
   (iii) East 25th Street between Franklin Road and Gildea Street;
(b) That the by-law outlined in Report PW07134 as Appendix “A” be passed and enacted to amend City of Hamilton By-law No. 01-215.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report addresses a resident’s request to consider reducing the speed limit adjacent to Timothy Canadian Reformed School in Ward 7.

BACKGROUND:

The information/recommendation contained within this report primarily affects Wards 7. City Council approved a policy for “Setting Speed Limits on City of Hamilton Roadways” which included provisions for setting speed limits on roads in school areas. Eligible
streets are those that border on school properties. An area resident has requested that the speed limit on the roadways abutting Timothy Canadian Reformed School be reduced to 40 km/hr. Staff concur and recommend the requested change. In addition, staff also recommend reducing the speed limit on roads abutting Franklin Road Elementary School, as this school is located approximately 170 metres east of Timothy Christian Reformed School and also abuts Franklin Road.

The default speed on these roadways is 50 km/hr.

**ANALYSIS/RATIONALE:**

The 40 km/hr speed limit highlights the presence of a school and of school age children in the vicinity of a school.

**ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION:**

An alternative would be to take no action. However, this would not provide the opportunity to take advantage of the benefits of the reduced speed limit.

**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Sufficient funds are available in the current budget signing account to cover the cost of manufacturing, erecting and maintaining the required signs.

**POLICIES AFFECTING PROPOSAL:**

The subject recommendation is in keeping with the policy for "Setting Speed Limits on City of Hamilton Roadways".

**RELEVANT CONSULTATION:**

Hamilton Police Services are fully supportive of this program and will provide enforcement in school areas as necessary. The Ward Councillor has also been advised and concurs.

**CITY STRATEGIC COMMITMENT:**

By evaluating the “Triple Bottom Line”, (community, environment, economic implications) we can make choices that create value across all three bottom lines, moving us closer to our vision for a sustainable community, and Provincial interests.

- Community Well-Being is enhanced. ☑ Yes ☐ No
  - Public services and programs are delivered in an equitable manner, coordinated, efficient, effective and easily accessible to all citizens.
  - Participation in community life is accessible to all Hamiltonians.
  - The public are involved in the definition and development of local solutions.
  - Partnerships are promoted.

- Environmental Well-Being is enhanced. ☑ Yes ☐ No
  - Human health and safety are protected.
  - Consumption of all natural resources is reduced.
  - Consumption of energy is reduced; alternative energy and co-generation are supported.
  - A sustainable transportation network provides many options for people and goods movement; vehicle-dependency is reduced.

- Economic Well-Being is enhanced. ☐ Yes ☑ No
Does the option you are recommending create value across all three bottom lines?
☐ Yes ☑ No

Do the options you are recommending make Hamilton a City of choice for high performance public servants?
☑ Yes ☐ No

The creation of a respectful, desirable and supportive workplace.
Life-long learning is supported.
LOCATION PLAN

RECOMMENDED SPEED LIMIT CHANGE:
Franklin Rd, East 25th St., East 27th St.

CITY OF HAMILTON
Public Works Department

LEGEND

SUBJECT ROAD
Proposed 40 km/h Zone

SCALE
NOT TO SCALE
DATE
2007-10-31

REFERENCE FILE NO: PW07134

KEY MAP

Timothy Canadian Reformed School
Franklin Road School

Timothy Canadian Reformed School

Franklin Road Elementary
CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 07-

To Amend By-law No. 01-215

Being a By-law To Regulate Traffic

WHEREAS sections 8, 9 and 10 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, authorize the City of Hamilton to pass by-laws as necessary or desirable for the public and municipal purposes, and in particular paragraphs 4 through 8 of subsection 10(2) authorize by-laws respecting: assets of the municipality, the economic, social and environmental well-being of the municipality; health, safety and well-being of persons; the provision of any service or thing that it considers necessary or desirable for the public; and the protection of persons and property;

AND WHEREAS on the 18th day of September, 2001, the Council of the City of Hamilton enacted By-law No. 01-215 to regulate traffic;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to amend By-law No. 01-215.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. Schedule 2 (Speed Limits) of By-law No. 01-215, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding to Section "A" thereof the following items, namely:

   “Franklin Rd.          Upper Sherman Ave.          150 m. west of East 24th St        40
   East 25th St.          Franklin Rd.                   Gildea St.                        40
   East 27th St.          Franklin Rd.                   Burkholder Dr.                    40”

2. Subject to the amendments made in this By-law, in all other respects, By-law No. 01-215, including all Schedules thereto, as amended, is hereby confirmed unchanged.
3. This By-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of its passing and enactment.

PASSED and ENACTED this day of , 2007

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Fred Eisenberger                  Kevin C. Christenson
Mayor                             City Clerk