SUBJECT: Reduced School Area Speed Limit - Terrace Drive, South Bend Road, Warren Avenue - Norwood Park Elementary School (PW05139) - (Ward 7)

COMMENDATION:
(a) That the speed limit on South Bend Road between Allenby Avenue and Dana Drive be set at 40 km/h.
(b) That the speed limit on Terrace Drive between Mohawk Road East and McElroy Road East be set at 40 km/h.
(c) That the speed limit on Warren Avenue between Mohawk Road East and McElroy Road East be set at 40 km/h.
(d) That the by-law outlined in Report PW05139 as Appendix “A” to amend the City of Hamilton Traffic By-law 01-215 be passed and enacted.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
Staff received a request from the Principal of Norwood Park Elementary School to consider lowering the speed limit in the area of the school. The request meets the criteria of the approved policy for “Setting Speed Limits on City of Hamilton Roadways within School Areas”. Therefore, staff supports setting the speed limit on the roadway abutting this school at 40 km/h.
BACKGROUND:
The information/recommendations contained within this report primarily affect Ward 7. The information provided in this report affects Ward 7. City Council approved a policy for “Setting Speed Limits on City of Hamilton Roadways” which included provisions for setting speed limits on roads within school areas. School areas are roadways that have contiguous school property. The Principal of Norwood Park Elementary School requested that the speed limit on Terrace Drive, Warren Avenue and South Bend Road in the area of Norwood Park Elementary School be lowered. The default speed on these roadways is 50 km/h.

ANALYSIS/RATIONALE:
The request is in keeping with the approved policy and therefore, staff supports lowering the speed limit on the subject roadways in the area of the school to 40 km/h.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION:
One alternative would be to do nothing. However, the 40 km/h speed limit highlights the presence of the school, and school age children, and therefore provides the potential for additional safety benefits.

ANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:
Sufficient funds are available in regular current accounts to cover the cost of manufacturing, erecting and maintaining the required signs.

POLICIES AFFECTING PROPOSAL:
The subject recommendation is in keeping with the approved policy for “Setting Speed Limits on City of Hamilton Roadways”.

LEVANT CONSULTATION:
Hamilton Police Services are fully supportive of and will provide enforcement in school areas as necessary.

STRATEGIC COMMITMENT:
By evaluating the “Triple Bottom Line”, (community, environment, and 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
Implementation of a 40 km/h speed limit will highlight the presence of the school and school aged children to motorists, thereby increasing the likelihood of compliance and resulting in safer communities.

Environmental Well-Being is enhanced. ☐ Yes ☑ No
There will be no significant changes to air or noise pollution with the implementation of a 40 km/h speed limit.
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
CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. ________

To Amend By-law No. 01-215
Being a By-law to Regulate Traffic

WHEREAS Section 11(1)1 of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, Chapter 25, as amended, confers upon the councils of all municipalities the power to enact by-laws for regulating parking and traffic on highways subject to the Highway Traffic Act;

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 "E" thereof the following items, namely:

   “Terrace Mohawk McElroy 40
   Warren Mohawk McElroy 40
   South Bend Allenby Dana 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 , 2005

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MAYOR        CLERK
LOCATION PLAN

RECOMMENDED
SPEED LIMIT CHANGES:
Terrace Drive, South Bend Road, Warren Avenue
Adjacent to Norwood Park Public School
CITY OF HAMILTON
Public Works Department

LEGEND

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SCALE NOT TO SCALE

DATE: 2005-11-16

REFERENCE FILE NO: PW05139

KEY MAP

Norwood Park Elementary School
165 Terrace Drive