SUBJECT: Speed Limit Change - Concession 5 between Centre Road and Robson Road and Lynden Road between Concession 2 West and Highway 5 (PW06019) - (Wards 14 and 15)

RECOMMENDATION:
(a) That the speed limit on Concession 5 between Centre Road and Robson Road be set at 60 km/h.
(b) That the speed limit on Lynden Road between Concession 2 West and Highway 5 be set at 70 km/h.
(c) That by-law outlined in Report PW06019 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 Councillor McCarthy and a Lynden area resident, to consider lowering the speed limit on Concession 5 East between Centre Road and Robson Road and on Lynden Road between Concession 2 West and Highway 5. Staff has reviewed each location utilizing the policy for “Setting Speed Limits on City of Hamilton Roadways” and supports lowering the speed limit these roadways.
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BACKGROUND:
The information/recommendations contained within this report primarily affect Wards 14 and 15.

Each of the subject roadways was reviewed by staff utilizing the policy for Setting Speed Limits on Rural Roadways for the City of Hamilton. The policy considers such factors as pavement width, length of roadway, horizontal and vertical geometrics, driveway density, 85th percentile traffic speeds (operating speeds) and vehicular and pedestrian volumes. Also, staff physically drove each section of roadway in order to personally assess the appropriateness of the report’s recommendations.

Concession 5 West between Centre Road and Robson Road
Councillor McCarthy advised of a request from an area resident, that the speed limit on Concession 5 West between Centre Road and Robson Road be lowered. Concession 5 has a posted speed limit of 70 km/h. Based on staff’s review of this road segment utilizing criteria within the policy for Setting Speed Limits on Rural Roadways, this section of roadway warrants a 60 km/h speed limit. Furthermore, staff physically drove this roadway and noted features that further justify a lower speed limit. The roadway physically narrows due to a bridge crossing and there is an existing at-grade railway crossing.

The request is in keeping with the approved policy and therefore, staff supports lowering the speed limit to 60 km/h on Concession 5 West between Centre Road and Robson Road.

Lynden Road between Concession 2 West and Highway 5
Staff received a request from an area resident that the speed limit on Lynden Rd. between Concession 2 West and Highway 5 be lowered. This section of Lynden Rd. has a posted speed limit of 80 km/h. Based on staff’s review of this road segment utilizing criteria within the policy for Setting Speed Limits on Rural Roadways, this section of roadway warrants a 70 km/h speed limit. Staff physically drove this section of roadway and supports lowering the speed limit. Furthermore, Lynden Road, north of Highway 5, is posted at 70 km/h. Setting the speed limit at 70 km/h in this section would provide consistency.

The request is in keeping with the approved policy and therefore, staff supports lowering the speed limit to 70 km/h on Lynden Rd. between Concession 2 West and Highway 5.

ANALYSIS/RATIONALE:
The requests are in keeping with the approved policy and therefore, staff supports lowering the speed limit on the subject roadways.
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ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION:
An alternative would be to take no action. However, the objective of setting a speed limit is to provide a speed limit that the majority of motorists will respect and obey with minimal police enforcement.

FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:
Sufficient funds are available in regular current accounts to cover the cost of manufacturing, erecting and maintaining the regular 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 support the application of the City’s speed limit policy and will provide enforcement as necessary.

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
- Environmental Well-Being is enhanced. ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 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
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RECOMMENDED SPEED LIMIT CHANGE:
Concession 5 East between Centre Road and Robson Road
CITY OF HAMILTON
Public Works Department

LEGEND

SUBJECT ROAD

SCALE NOT TO SCALE

DATE 2006-02-01

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LOCATION PLAN

RECOMMENDED
SPEED LIMIT CHANGES:
Lynden Road between Concession 2 West and Highway 5
CITY OF HAMILTON
Public Works Department

LEGEND

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Lynden Road Proposed 70 km/h Speed Limit
APPENDIX “A” TO REPORT PW06019

CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 06-

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 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 deleting from Section "C" thereof the following items, namely:

   “5th Conc. East     Highway No. 6     Robson Road     70
Lynden Road     Concession 2W     Highway #5     80”

and by adding to Section "C" thereof the following items, namely:

   “5th Conc. East     Highway No. 6     Centre Road     70
5th Conc. East     Centre Road     Robson Road     60”

and by adding to Section G Subsection 4 (Flamborough) thereof the following item, namely:

   “Lynden Road     Concession 2W     Highway #5     70”

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 , 2006.

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