

## TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Minutes of Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held September 17, 2015 in the City of Leduc, Operations Building, Engineering Board Room.

Attendance Those in attendance:  
Councillor Bob Young  
Councillor Terry Lazowski  
Gerard Macneil, Manager, RCMP Administration and Enforcement  
Michael Stadnyk, Community Peace Officer, Sergeant  
Wes Kardash, Community Peace Officer  
Cst. Christopher Mosley, RCMP  
Shawn Olson, Director, Engineering  
Rick Sereda, Director, Public Services  
Gerry Lang, Manager, Infrastructure Maintenance  
Kyle Van Steenoven, Engineering Project Manager  
Shirley Weslosky, Recording Secretary

With Regrets Mike Pieters, GM Infrastructure & Planning

### Old Business

Background 1. **Traffic volumes at Alton Drive (Kevin)** A letter was received from [REDACTED] Alton Drive, [REDACTED] concerned about speed, safety of the people using the sidewalks, noise pollution all due to the amount of traffic on Alton Drive. He would like to see more people using Grant McEwan Boulevard.

Decision **October 2, 2013** - The Traffic Advisory Committee discussed options such as putting a two way stop on Alton drive and removing signs on Black Gold Drive, this will redirect traffic to use Grant McEwan Boulevard.

**February 6, 2014** – The entire area is being reviewed to understand trip generations and destinations.

**May 8, 2014** Gerry will look at putting up a speed sign in this area. Alton Drive & area will be discussed with Traffic Solution Consulting.

**August 28, 2014**- Traffic Solution Consulting is still investigating.

**November 6, 2014** - Kevin Cole is still looking into the changes in this area. Traffic Advisory Committee discussed the traffic calming program, which is putting in removable speed bumps in this area.

Other traffic calming areas where speed bumps could be used as a test pilot would be Caledonia and West Haven.

**March 5, 2015** – Three different styles of speed bumps for traffic calming were discussed. These speed bumps would reduce the speed to 25-40 km. These speed bumps are pinned in place on the road and removable through seasons. The traffic Advisory Committee would like to see a roll out program with three to four test areas such as the south end of Alton drive, Leduc Estates/St. Benedicts School. The traffic Advisory Committee would like to put up traffic calming test sites in three to four areas this spring or summer. A few different styles will be

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tested during this roll out program to see which styles are more effective. Signs would also be required for these speed bump locations. The areas where these speed bumps will be placed would have to meet a certain criteria. Administration will draft a placement criteria document and will send it out to Traffic Advisory Committee electronically for approval.

**June 4, 2015** – No update

**September 17, 2015** - Traffic calming is identified in the Transportation Master Plan.

For any local street to qualify for a traffic calming project review, the neighborhood must meet or pass at least one of the following criteria:

- 85th percentile speeds exceeding the posted speed limit by 10 kph
- Volumes exceeding 1,000 Vehicles Per Day (VPD) for local streets
- Volume of trucks, over 30 feet in length, exceeding one-half of one percent of the total traffic volume
- Curb parking occupancy exceeding 70% from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Traffic calming identified in the Transportation Master Plan

Rick Sereda has a budget for traffic calming, the plan is to do three pilot projects in 2016. Alton Drive will be one of the streets that will be considered for the traffic calming pilot project in 2016.

November 5 meeting – two more locations will be considered for the traffic calming pilot project.

Action *Bring back to next meeting*

Background **2.** Memorial and Traffic Safety Fund was brought forward to the committee in November 2014. The memorial and traffic safety fund never went into the traffic bylaw. The Traffic Advisory Committee asked to bring this topic back to the committee in the spring of 2015. (Gerard)

Decision **June 4, 2015** – Traffic Advisory Committee agreed that it would be nice to see a family memorial traffic safety fund set up. This would allow plaques to be placed at the morning site instead of a shrine of teddy bears and flowers staying there for years. Having a bylaw with a limited time would be beneficial to manage the shrine and plaques. It was suggested that a shrine be allowed to stay up for 90 days and for a plaque to be placed for 12 months in place of the shrine.

**September 17, 2015** – There is no formal memorial fund in Edmonton, or Fort Saskatchewan. The City of Leduc memorial fund will be brought forward to Committee of the Whole (COW). The Traffic Advisory Committee agree that guidelines should be established that are reasonable and demonstrate the appropriate level of compassion to the family of anyone killed or seriously injured in a roadway accident. It is also important to give consideration to other members of the community who may not feel memorials should remain at a location for an unreasonable amount of time and become a nuisance as defined in the City of Leduc Community Standards By-Law.

The committee agreed that the guidelines below would apply;

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- The roadside memorial where a fatality has occurred be that any display consisting of flowers, stuffed animals, photos, or any other structure indicating the location of the fatality be permitted for a period of not greater than 90 days from the date of the accident.
- The family will be notified that a sign will go up after the 90 days.
- Upon removal of the ad hoc memorial a sign or marker as approved by the City of Leduc would be placed at the location for a period of time up to one year from the date of the incident resulting in the fatality.

Action *Take off Agenda*

Background **3.** Traffic Bylaw Snow clearing power point was presented to Traffic Advisory Committee by Gerard Macneil on March 5, 2015. The Traffic Bylaw Snow clearing will be presented at the Council Retreat in March.

Decision **June 4, 2015** - No update.

**September 17, 2015** – The existing problem spots need to be addressed by CPO's such as vehicles that have not been moved for long periods of times. Most residents are good about moving the vehicles before the roads are plowed.

Public Services will continue to put out signage prior to the roads being plowed. The CPO's will ticket or remove problem vehicles during snow plowing season.

Action *Take off agenda*

Background **4.** Full photo radar zone approval

Decision **June 4, 2015** - More consultation consideration can come from Traffic Advisory Committee.

**September 17, 2015** – There is no conflict with traffic safety.

- Chris Mosley discussed Automated Traffic Enforcement (ATE) with the Traffic Advisory Committee.
- The ATE has been taken off of Sparrow Drive and Hwy 2A.
- Chris would like to see more safety control when drivers are running red lights and stop signs. In 2015 the RCMP reported Discovery Way and 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue as being a high collision area. Chris would like to see more ATE for accident safety at Discovery Way and 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue. He would like to stop more drivers using their cell phones when driving through this intersection.
- The ATE location on Rollyview Road, at Christ the King School are being used for school hours only at this time.
- The use of ATE for the purpose of red-light camera enforcement at high collision intersections is being piloted for 6 to 12 months.
- New locations for ATE speed enforcement, which were approved by TAC, were in the Caledonia Park school zone, the new park on Robinson Drive near Reynolds Way, and along Black Gold Drive from South Park Drive to Rollyview Rd.
- Chris would like additional comments from the Traffic Advisory Committee on the ATE program.

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**Gerard** will present the Automated Traffic Enforcement (ATE) to Committee of the Whole (COW).

**Gerard** -The Traffic Advisory Committee would like to see more Information on accident sights in Edmonton with the red light cameras.

Action *Take off agenda*

Action 5. [REDACTED] Division Safety and Transportation Officer, with STAR Catholic Board attended the meeting at 1:25 p.m.

[REDACTED] discussed the flashing lights (gateway flashers) on the busses when loading and unloading passengers. He would like the Traffic Advisory Committee to consider a bylaw that says buses do not need to use their gateway flashers when parked in the bus lanes. [REDACTED] is finding that when the busses put on the gateway flashers then it causes traffic back up on streets due to all traffic stopping for the bus with the flashing lights.

**June 4, 2015 - Gerard** will look further into the gateway flashers, and check what Fort Saskatchewan does.

**September 17, 2015** – Other Municipalities do not allow the gateway flashers on the school buses to be on when parked in the bus lane. Traffic Advisory Committee would like to be consistent with other municipalities. The Traffic Advisory Committee is not in favor of buses putting on their flashers in the bus lanes.

Background The City of Leduc School Boards will be required to sign off before the next meeting.

**Gerard** will draft up a letter for the School Boards.

Decision *Take off agenda*

**New Items**

Action 6. **Resident [REDACTED] would like something done on the speeding in back alleys, he would like the City to put up some speed signs.** He believes that new residents do not know that the alley speed limit is 20km an hour, and has clocked them in our alleys at 60km an hour. (Gerard)

Background Traffic Advisory Committee would like to see the speed limit in back alleys advertised in the REP paper, to make residents aware that the speed limit is 20km.

**Gerard** will place an ad in the paper informing residents that the speed limit in alleys is 20km. If speed limits were posted in the alleys the two alleys that could use them would be the alley in Corinthia Park on HWY 2A and the alley by Boston Pizza.

Decision *Take off Agenda*

Action 7. **Resident [REDACTED] is concerned about the parking on the south side of**

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**Athapaskan from Haida Avenue to 50 Street.** If you are driving towards 50 Street you have to drive on the north side of the center line because of parked vehicles, and has a potential of having an accident.

Background

Decision By Engineering standards there is enough room to pass vehicles on this street with parked cars on one side of the street. The north side of this street has no parking signs in place.

**Gerard** will call [REDACTED] to let him know that no changes will be made to the signage on Athapaskan Drive.

Action *Take off Agenda*

Background **8. Resident has a concern regarding the safety crossing 50 Street and 51 Avenue behind the Royal Bank.** He would like to see a lit crosswalk going east to west across 50 Street. (Rick)

Decision **Shawn** will discuss this intersection with Traffic Solution Consulting the Committee is requesting removing crosswalk and having residents use 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Action *Bring back to next meeting*

Background **9. [REDACTED] owner of [REDACTED] located at 49 [REDACTED] 52 Avenue is having issues with cars parking all day in front of her business.** [REDACTED] claims there is a lot of room in the park and ride lot across the street. She would like to see 2 hour parking signs put up as some of her clients are seniors and cannot walk from the parking lot. (Kyle)

Decision The Committee agrees that two hour parking signs should be placed in front of [REDACTED]

**Gerry** will have PSS put up 2 hour parking signs.

**Kyle** will call [REDACTED] and let her know the 2 hour parking signs will be put up.

Action *Take off Agenda*

Background **10. Resident [REDACTED] is tired of people parking in the alley behind 47 [REDACTED] -49<sup>th</sup> Avenue.** Bradley Agotnes, CPO mentioned since 2013, Enforcement Services has received 9 complaints of vehicles parking in the alley. Most complaints have stemmed from construction workers building a house. (Gerard)

Decision The Committee agrees that residents should not be parking in this alley as there is not enough room for residents to get into their driveways.

Three no parking signs will be placed on the power poles in this alley.

**Gerry** will have the PSS put up no parking signs.

**Gerard** will contact [REDACTED] to let him know that no parking signs will be placed in this alley.

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Action *Take off Agenda*

Background **11. Speeding in Residential areas - concerns at [REDACTED] Sandalwood Place.** Resident [REDACTED] would like to have “children at play” signs put up in her neighborhood or temporary speed bumps. She feels this will slow down the traffic and ensure the safety of the children playing.  
**Resident [REDACTED] lives on Walters Place** she is concerned that the speed limit is too high she would like “children at play” signs or the speed limit changed.  
(Kyle) Attachment #6

Decision **Gerry** will put up a speed control sign at [REDACTED] Sandalwood Place. No speed bumps or child at play signs will be placed along [REDACTED] Sandalwood Place.

**Kyle** will call [REDACTED] back.

The City of Leduc does not put up child playing signs, The Committee agreed that no child playing signs will not go up at Walters Place.

**Kyle** will call [REDACTED] back.

Action *Take off Agenda*

Background **12. Intersection at Black Gold Drive (Coady Boulevard) & Rollyview Road.** If you are travelling southbound on Black Gold Drive in the west lane (slow lane) there are markings on the road and at the intersection saying to make a right hand turn when there is a lane straight ahead they could use. Michael Stadnyk is requesting to make this road a straight through and right hand turn lane.(Michael Stadnyk)

Decision The lanes on Black Gold Drive and Coady Boulevard will be changed to have two straight through lanes going south bound.

**Gerry** will take care of the changes on these roads.

Action *Take off Agenda*

Background **13. [REDACTED] sent an email requesting** a four way stop sign be placed at West Haven Drive & Black Gold Drive intersection (Shawn)

Decision The Committee agreed that a four way stop should be placed at this intersection.

**Kyle** will inform [REDACTED] of the four way stop.

**Gerry** will have PSS put up a four way stop at West Haven Drive & Black Gold Drive intersection.

Action *Take off Agenda*

Background **14. Adding Manager, Public Transportation as committee member** (Mike Pieters)

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Decision The Committee requested that Kevin Wenzel be added to the Traffic Advisory Committee as a board member.

**Kyle** will let Kevin Wenzel know he can attend the Traffic Advisory Committee board meetings.

Action *Take off Agenda*

Background **15. Resident [REDACTED] would like a five minute parking sign placed in front of the mail boxes in Robinson. Residents on the opposite side of the street are parking in front of the mail boxes.** When he drives to the mailboxes the majority of the time he cannot park his car in front of the mail box.

Decision The Traffic Advisory Committee agree that no signs will be placed in front of the mail boxes.

**Gerard** will contact [REDACTED] and let him know the outcome.

Action *Take off Agenda*

Background **16. Resident [REDACTED] contacted Mayor Greg Krischke regarding Highway 39 near bridge, heading west the speed sign says 60 km. Perhaps more appropriate would be after Bridgeport Blvd, because there is a longer stretch before the next lights.**

Decision The roadway, and sign on Highway 39 is owned by Alberta Transportation. There will be no changes to the signage in this area.

**Shawn** will let Mayor Krischke know the outcome.

Action *Take off Agenda*

Background **17. [REDACTED] has concerns with the pedestrian crosswalk at 51 Street and 50 Avenue not visible enough. Lots of elderly are afraid to cross this intersection.** Perhaps more visible lights are needed there now (e.g. bar above the pedestrian sign, also perhaps the sign is too far back from the street on the southwest corner.

Decision Traffic Advisory Committee agree that the pedestrian signs are very visible to drivers. More enforcement will be issued at this intersection.

**Shawn** will let [REDACTED] know the outcome.

Action *Take off Agenda*

Background **18. [REDACTED] would like to see more photo enforcement on 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue west of 50<sup>th</sup> Street.**

Decision CPO's will look at more photo enforcement in this area.

**Shawn** will let [REDACTED] know the outcome.

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**Other items discussed**

Way finding sign locations will be emailed to all TAC members please let Shirley Weslosky know if there is any safety concerns with the sign placements.

Crossing on Alton and HWY 39 the timing on the crosswalk is not allowing residents to cross in the allotted time. Gerry Lang has had this light checked and there is plenty of time to cross, as long as you are not crossing in the middle of the light change.

Gerard brought forward the coloring on crosswalks, this will be looked at in the future.

The Southfork speed control signs information shows that all drivers were doing the speed limit, only 1% of cars were speeding.

The information on the speed signs at C.W. Gaetz Road has 75% of cars speeding down this road.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Next meeting – November 5, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. – OPS Building, 2nd Floor Board Room.