

TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A G E N D A

DATE: September 16, 2021

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: City of Leduc, OPS Engineering Board Room

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Public Commentary

Items carried forward from previous meeting

1. I am emailing regarding information shared on the Southfork Facebook page. It was informing that the current crosswalk from multi way crossing east-west to other multi way, maybe moved south to create a safer crossing. My concern is the safety of pedestrians are at a greater risk as they would be exposed to potential cars longer. I travel that path a lot and if moved I would have to cross south then cross west then cross the gas station entrance just to bike or walk out of Southfork. I think with the speed being lowered it is going to help a lot at that busy intersection, and I believe the biggest problem are drivers turning left onto Southfork Drive. from the main road.
(Shawn Olson)
2. Report provided by Cameron Chisholm:
Cameron Chisholm requested reports relating to the vehicle speeds going north on 42 Street from the speed board. Our Traffic Engineer advised me that the speed equipment picks up vehicles as they start to turn north from Campbell Road. The reports showed few incidents of speeding and overall a very high compliance in general with the posted speed limit.
After you contacted the City, I requested manned enforcement to patrol the area. Since that time, I was advised that compliance was being met during their patrols. When road construction is complete in the area, I would suspect that there will be less volume of traffic on 42 Street.
Given the compliance, additional traffic calming measures will not be introduced at this time on 42 Street. That said, I expect that should the 40 km/hr pilot project in Southfork be successful this year, the speed limit in all residential areas in Leduc will most likely be also lowered to 40 km/hr.
Your area will continue to be on the patrol list for our traffic unit.

Letter from resident:

Well that is very interesting reporting and very thorough. I have no comments or complaints regarding the attached other than to thank you and your team for at least taking our concerns seriously.

New Items

3. Resident who lives at one of the acreages by Leduc Common, located on 50 Avenue, is concerned that it is extremely difficult to enter their driveway access due to aggressive drivers on 50 Avenue. They advised that they have been nearly rear-ended or side swiped on a regular basis, even though they turn their signal lights on immediately after crossing the intersection at Leduc Common, to indicate that the resident is merging towards the driveway. They previously brought this concern forward several years ago and the City installed a hidden driveway sign here, as this driveway provides access to all acreage along this road. Unfortunately, the sign no longer seems to be sufficient and residents are wondering what can be done here to address their safety concern. (Shawn Olson)

4. Resident has a concern that 49 Street has become a through-fare for speeding motorists and increased traffic. They have had motorist fly down this street at no less than 100 km an hour and at times even faster. Should there be a child or senior on the street crossing, they would not have a chance. If this continues there will be someone injured or dead.
We as a community are asking the City to put in seasonal speed bumps to curtail the dangerous speeding issue on 49 Street. If you feel it is necessary to require a petition for this, we can provide one and bring it to council. The proactive move for the City is the safety of its residents. (Shawn Olson)

Prior to the meeting Shawn has requested additional signage to try and slow traffic through the area during construction.

In addition, Public Services place a speed awareness sign along 49 Street half way between stop signs at 54 Avenue and 52 Avenue.

5. A concerned motorist stated that when pedestrians cross from McKinley Park to Sturtz Bend, there is an electrical box that partially obstructs a driver's view of the pedestrians.
The motorist suggested having flashing lights or reflectors on the box. I would even suggest a sign that encourages pedestrians to look both ways (like one from Telford House at confusion corner). (Bradley Agotnes and Cameron Chishom)

6. Cameron Chisholm was approached by an Art teacher and commissioned their class to submit drawings. They then picked four pieces and made them into traffic signs. Cameron Chisholm sponsored the event and in return, hosted a pizza party. The winners also had a traffic sign given to them.
I just don't know about deviating from normal traffic signs. The "art" piece would be something that would make Leduc different. We could have the standard "High Collision Area" sign with an art sign below.
I would recommend 50 Avenue and 50 Street along with 50 Avenue at Hwy 2 intersections. We would probably need four signs at 50 Avenue and 50 Street and then depending upon how we sign 50 Avenue at Hwy 2, maybe 3 more. I'd pick a couple of winners to get a good variety.
I can tell you now that it was a hit when we put up the railroad signs with some of the Council. They really liked the art concept.
I think we have to do something to address our issues at those intersections. Something done is better than nothing done.

7. Laura Tillack brought forward to TAC residents concerns.
 - a) Resident would like a no exit sign on Keep Crescent and Krahn Court, people are going in there even prior to construction and having to turn around because they think it's a through street.
Shawn will have a no exit sign installed on Krahn Court (because it bends south and the end of the road is not visible from King Street)
 - b) Resident has concerns that motorists are zipping through King Street now that they can't turn left on West Haven Drive going east on to Grant MacEwan Boulevard.
Shawn will have a speed awareness sign installed somewhere beside 1 Keep Crescent along King Street facing north to catch southbound traffic prior to this item being brought to TAC.
8. Resident regularly observe vehicles travelling at a high rate of speed in our neighbourhood, specifically on West Haven Drive and Kirpatrick Crescent. Many people use the walking path from Kirpatrick Crescent to link up with the multi way and the whole area in general is well loved by pedestrians and children out playing. Is it possible to have increased enforcement and/or a traffic study initiated? (Shawn Olson)
9. Resident lives on Southwick Boulevard and his neighbours and him are concerned in regards to excessive speeding on their block especially through the playground zone at McKinley Park. He noted that on several occasions that there have been near misses with children that are playing and/or crossing the street and that on one occasion a child was struck by a vehicle. He would like TAC to access the speeding in the area and determine if there is anything that could be done to address it. (Kyle Wilkin)
10. Resident is concerned that vehicles are going very fast around the corner on Birchmont Drive. With vehicles parked on both sides and the corner coming almost into 1 lane there have been multiple instances of close calls. As well as at least 4 incidents that have happened that they have seen personally in the last 6 years. Luckily so far no one has been injured but does it need to get there? There are multiple young families on this street as well as some older and all have noticed the increased speeds and lack of slow down deterrents. Resident suggests some rumble strips, rubber speed bumps, speed limit signs at 30km/h or something else. (Kyle Van Steenoven)

Information Item

Any other items

Next Meeting – November 18, 2021 City of Leduc, OPS second Floor Boardroom
This meeting conflicts with the AUMA Conference, is everyone fine with changing the date to November 10, 2021 or December 2, 2021?

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Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held September 16, 2021 in the City of Leduc, OPS Building, Engineering Boardroom.

Attendance Those in attendance:
Councillor Laura Tillack
Cameron Chisholm, Manager, RCMP Administration and Leduc Enforcement Services
Rick Sereda, Director, Public Services
Shawn Olson, Director, Engineering
Kyle Van Steenoven, Manager, Capital Projects and Development
Sgt. Shane Himmelman, RCMP
Kyle Wilkin, Manager, Infrastructure Maintenance
Shirley Weslosky, Recording Secretary
Mayor Bob Young

With Regrets Mike Pieters, General Manager, Infrastructure & Planning
John Prokopiw, Community Peace Officer I, Enforcement Services
Michael Stadnyk, Community Peace Officer, Sergeant
Kevin Wenzel, Manager, Public Transportation

Public
Commentary No Public Commentary

CALL TO ORDER

Shawn Olson called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions to the agenda
No additions to the agenda

Items Carried Forward From Previous Meeting

Background 1. I am emailing regarding information shared on the Southfork Facebook page. It was informing that the current crosswalk from multi way crossing east-west to other multi way, maybe moved south to create a safer crossing. My concern is the safety of pedestrians are at a greater risk as they would be exposed to potential cars longer. I travel that path a lot and if moved I would have to cross south then cross west then cross the gas station entrance just to bike or walk out of Southfork. I think with the speed being lowered it is going to help a lot at that busy intersection, and I believe the biggest problem are drivers turning left onto Southfork Drive from the main road.
(Shawn Olson)

Decision **TAC recommend to Council** – there have been no complaints to the City of Leduc regarding the changes to the crosswalk or the reduction in speed. This crosswalk will be observed to ensure that it is working well.

Shawn Olson will contact the resident and let them know the outcome of the meeting.

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Action		CARRIED
	<i>Take off agenda</i>	
Background	<p>2. Report provided by Cameron Chisholm: Cameron Chisholm requested reports relating to the vehicle speeds going north on 42 Street from the speed board. Our Traffic Engineer advised me that the speed equipment picks up vehicles as they start to turn north from Campbell Road. The reports showed few incidents of speeding and overall a very high compliance in general with the posted speed limit. After you contacted the City, I requested manned enforcement to patrol the area. Since that time, I was advised that compliance was being met during their patrols. When road construction is complete in the area, I would suspect that there will be less volume of traffic on 42 Street. Given the compliance, additional traffic calming measures will not be introduced at this time on 42 Street. That said, I expect that should the 40 km/hr pilot project in Southfork be successful this year, the speed limit in all residential areas in Leduc will most likely be also lowered to 40 km/hr. Your area will continue to be on the patrol list for our traffic unit.</p> <p>Letter from resident: Well that is very interesting reporting and very thorough. I have no comments or complaints regarding the attached other than to thank you and your team for at least taking our concerns seriously.</p>	
Decision	This was brought to TAC in appreciation of their efforts and hard work.	
Action		CARRIED
	<i>Take off agenda</i>	
	<u>New Items</u>	
Background	<p>3. Resident who lives at one of the acreages by Leduc Common, located on 50 Avenue, is concerned that it is extremely difficult to enter their driveway access due to aggressive drivers on 50 Avenue. They advised that they have been nearly rear-ended or side swiped on a regular basis, even though they turn their signal lights on immediately after crossing the intersection at Leduc Common, to indicate that the resident is merging towards the driveway. They previously brought this concern forward several years ago and the City installed a hidden driveway sign here, as this driveway provides access to all acreage along this road. Unfortunately, the sign no longer seems to be sufficient and residents are wondering what can be done here to address their safety concern. (Shawn Olson)</p>	
Decision	<p>TAC recommend to Council – TAC were in agreement that if residents want to pool together and build an access road to Bridgeport Crossing the City of Leduc will be willing to work with them.</p> <p>Kyle Wilkin will have Public Services will put another hidden driveway sign on Discovery Way.</p>	
Action	<p>Shawn Olson will contact the resident and let them know the outcome of the meeting.</p>	

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Kyle Wilkin - Public Services will put another hidden driveway sign on Discovery Way.

CARRIED

Take off agenda

- Background 4. Resident has a concern that 49 Street has become a through-fare for speeding motorists and increased traffic. They have had motorist fly down this street at no less than 100 km an hour and at times even faster. Should there be a child or senior on the street crossing, they would not have a chance. If this continues there will be someone injured or dead.
- We as a community are asking the City to put in seasonal speed bumps to curtail the dangerous speeding issue on 49 Street. If you feel it is necessary to require a petition for this, we can provide one and bring it to council. The proactive move for the City is the safety of its residents. (Shawn Olson)
- Prior to the meeting Shawn has requested additional signage to try and slow traffic through the area during construction.
- In addition, Public Services place a speed awareness sign along 49 Street half way between stop signs at 54 Avenue and 52 Avenue.

Decision **TAC recommend to Council** – To bring this back to the next meeting with the electronic speed sign data.

Action **Kyle Wilkin** – will bring back the data from the electronic speed sign to the December 2, 2021 TAC meeting.

Shawn Olson will contact the resident and let them know the outcome of the meeting.

CARRIED

Bring back to the next meeting

- Background 5. A concerned motorist stated that when pedestrians cross from McKinley Park to Sturtz Bend, there is an electrical box that partially obstructs a driver's view of the pedestrians. The motorist suggested having flashing lights or reflectors on the box. I would even suggest a sign that encourages pedestrians to look both ways (like one from Telford House at confusion corner). (Bradley Agotnes and Cameron Chishom)

Decision **TAC recommend to Council** – TAC were in agreement to have a sign placed where pedestrians activate the button, telling pedestrians to look both ways.

Action **Kyle Wilkin** – Will place a sign where pedestrians activate the button, informing them to look both ways. Kyle will also place reflective tape on the box that is obstructing the view of pedestrians.

Cameron Chisholm will call the residents back and let them know the outcome of the meeting.

CARRIED

Take off agenda

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Background 6. Cameron Chisholm was approached by an Art teacher and commissioned their class to submit drawings. They then picked four pieces and made them into traffic signs. Cameron Chisholm sponsored the event and in return, hosted a pizza party. The winners also had a traffic sign given to them.
I just don't know about deviating from normal traffic signs. The "art" piece would be something that would make Leduc different. We could have the standard "High Collision Area" sign with an art sign below.
I would recommend 50 Avenue and 50 Street along with 50 Avenue at Hwy 2 intersections. We would probably need four signs at 50 Avenue and 50 Street and then depending upon how we sign 50 Avenue at Hwy 2, maybe 3 more. I'd pick a couple of winners to get a good variety.
I can tell you now that it was a hit when we put up the railroad signs with some of the Council. They really liked the art concept.
I think we have to do something to address our issues at those intersections. Something done is better than nothing done.

Decision **TAC recommend to Council** – TAC are in agreement to have the Art Class do up signs to be posted at 50 Avenue and 50 Street.

Cameron Chisholm will present signs at the next TAC meeting there will be 4 signs chosen, one for each intersection.

Action **Cameron Chisholm** will contact the Art Teacher and let them know the outcome of the meeting.

CARRIED

Bring back to next meeting.

Background 7. Laura Tillack brought forward to TAC residents concerns.
a) Resident would like a no exit sign on Keep Crescent and Krahn Court, people are going in there even prior to construction and having to turn around because they think it's a through street.
Shawn will have a no exit sign installed on Krahn Court (because it bends south and the end of the road is not visible from King Street)
b) Resident has concerns that motorists are zipping through King Street now that they can't turn left on West Haven Drive going east on to Grant MacEwan Boulevard.
Shawn will have a speed awareness sign installed somewhere beside 1 Keep Crescent along King Street facing north to catch southbound traffic prior to this item being brought to TAC.

Decision **TAC recommend to Council;**
a) Shawn will have a no exit sign installed on Krahn Court (because it bends south and the end of the road is not visible from King Street)
b) A speed awareness sign will be placed on King Street facing north. The data will be brought to the next TAC meeting.

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Kyle Wilkin – will bring back the data on King Street from the electronic speed sign to the December 2, 2021 TAC meeting.

Laura Tillack will contact the resident's and let them know the outcome of the meeting.

Action

CARRIED

Bring back to the next meeting

Background

8. Resident regularly observe vehicles travelling at a high rate of speed in our neighbourhood, specifically on West Haven Drive and Kirpatrick Crescent. Many people use the walking path from Kirpatrick Crescent to link up with the multi way and the whole area in general is well loved by pedestrians and children out playing. Is it possible to have increased enforcement and/or a traffic study initiated? (Shawn Olson)

Decision

TAC recommend to Council – There will be a speed awareness sign placed on the north side of Kirpatrick Crescent, and the data will be brought back to the next TAC meeting.

Action

Kyle Wilkin - will place a speed awareness sign on the north side of Kirpatrick Crescent, and the data will be brought back to the December 2, 2021 TAC meeting.

Laura Tillack will call the resident back and let them know the outcome of the meeting.

CARRIED

Bring back to the next meeting

Background

9. Resident lives on Southwick Boulevard and his neighbours and him are concerned in regards to excessive speeding on their block especially through the playground zone at McKinley Park. He noted that on several occasions that there have been near misses with children that are playing and/or crossing the street and that on one occasion a child was struck by a vehicle. He would like TAC to access the speeding in the area and determine if there is anything that could be done to address it. (Kyle Wilkin)

Decision

TAC recommend to Council – The speed awareness sign data was reviewed and the average speed is 29 km/hr.

Action

Kyle Wilkin will call the resident back and let them know the outcome of the meeting.

CARRIED

Take off agenda

Background

10. Resident is concerned that vehicles are going very fast around the corner on Birchmont Drive. With vehicles parked on both sides and the corner coming almost into 1 lane there have been multiple instances of close calls. As well as at least 4 incidents that have happened that they have seen personally in the last 6 years. Luckily so far no one has been injured but does it need to get there? There are multiple young families on this street as well as some older and all have noticed the increased speeds and lack of

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slow down deterrents. Resident suggests some rumble strips, rubber speed bumps, speed limit signs at 30km/h or something else.
(Kyle Van Steenoven)

Decision **TAC recommend to Council** – There will be a speed awareness sign placed on Birchmont Drive, on east west straightaway by #2 Birchglen Crescent. There will also be a speed awareness sign posted on Bridgeport Boulevard by #197.

Action **Kyle Wilkin** - will place a speed awareness sign on Birchmont Drive, on east west straightaway by #2 Birchglen Crescent. There will also be a speed awareness sign posted on Bridgeport Boulevard by #197.

Kyle Wilkin will bring back the speed awareness data to the next meeting.

Kyle Van Steenoven will call the resident back and let them know the outcome of the meeting.

CARRIED

Bring back to the next meeting

Background 11. 44th street road closure as per Council discussion on September 13, 2021 (Shawn Olson)

Decision **TAC recommend to Council** – Administration will look into the protocol to close the road on 44 Street. They would also like communication from Council to go out to residents. There will be lockable bollards placed across 44 Street as soon as possible.

Action **Shawn Olson** will call the resident back and let them know the outcome of the meeting.

CARRIED

Take off agenda

Background 12. Residents child was hit in a cross walk at Suntime Promenade and Snowdrop Court. Resident is requesting that this crosswalk have lights and also there needs to be no parking signs because there is always trucks and trailers parked there so the kids can't see oncoming vehicles. This is a very busy crosswalk and my other child was almost hit their last year. Something needs to be done about this ASAP. (Shawn Olson)

Decision **TAC recommend to Council** –Flashers will be placed at the pedestrian crosswalk on Suntime Promenade and Snowdrop Court.

Action **Kyle Wilkin** will place flashers at the pedestrian crosswalk on Suntime Promenade and Snowdrop Court.

Kyle Wilkin will call the resident back and let them know the outcome of the meeting.

CARRIED

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Background 13. Resident has concerns regarding the speed and noise issues from traffic along Black Gold Drive. Now that the road is wide enough for use as a speedway. There has also been a noticeable increase in heavy truck traffic and not just construction traffic.
(Shawn Olson)

Decision **TAC recommend to Council** – A miovision camera was placed on Black Gold Drive. The traffic count data will be brought back to the next TAC meeting. The speed awareness data shows no speeding on Black Gold Drive.

Action **Shawn Olson** will call the resident back and let them know the outcome of the meeting.

CARRIED

Bring Back to the next meeting

Background 14. The next TAC meeting was scheduled for November 18, 2021 due to scheduling conflict TAC has changed this meeting to December 2, 2021.

Decision **TAC recommend to Council** – they are in agreement to change the TAC meeting to December 2, 2021.

Action

CARRIED

Take off agenda

Background 15. Leduc Terrace at 4711-52 Avenue are asking for a “No Parking” sign for loading passengers on to the LATS bus in front of their building.

Decision **TAC recommend to Council** – To put up a “loading zone” sign in front of this building.

Action **Kyle Wilkin** will have a loading zone sign placed in front of 4711-52 Avenue.

Mayor Young will call the resident back and let them know the outcome of the meeting.

CARRIED

Take off agenda

Information item

Any Other Items

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 pm

Next Meeting

December 2, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. – OPS Building, Second Floor, Engineering Board Room,
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.