

TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Minutes of Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held April 11, 2019 in the City of Leduc, Operations Building, Engineering Boardroom.

Attendance

Those in attendance:

Cameron Chisholm, Manager, RCMP Administration and Leduc Enforcement Services
Councillor Laura Tillack
Cst. Oliver Ling, RCMP
Cst. Bridget Morla, RCMP
Sgt. Shane Himmelman, RCMP
Gerry Lang, Manager, Infrastructure Maintenance
Kyle Van Steenoven, Manager, Capital Projects and Development
Mayor Bob Young
Rick Sereda, Director, Public Services
Shawn Olson, Director, Engineering
Shirley Weslosky, Recording Secretary
Mike Pieters, GM Infrastructure & Planning
Michael Stadnyk, Community Peace Officer, Sergeant

With Regrets

Kevin Wenzel, Manager, Public Transportation

Public Commentary

Mariann McLaughlin, City of Leduc, Communications Officer, Corp., Communications and Marketing – Left the meeting at 2:04 p.m.
Lauren Wozny, City of Leduc, Communications Officer, Departments, Communications and Marketing – Left the meeting at 2:04 p.m.
Nick Ternovatsky, Alberta Health Services, Director, North Sector – Left the meeting at 1:35 p.m.
Korynna Wolfe, Alberta Health Services, Director – Left the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Shawn Olson called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Carried Forward From Previous Meeting

Background

1. Division Safety & Transportation Officer of Saint Thomas Aquinas Roman Catholic School Division would like to attend TAC to discuss the egress/entrance to Christ the King School. He would also like to discuss the placement of a handicap sign in front of Notre Dame School. Currently it is signed as loading zone/no stopping. They use this area for handicap drop/pick up.

There is a safety concern at Father Leduc Catholic School – Division Safety & Transportation Officer would like to request a four way stop at the corner of Southfork road as this would be a benefit for safety. Traffic will be required to slow to a stop at his intersection reducing speed in the school zone and making it safer for school children to cross at this intersection. Providing safer access onto Southfork Drive (East) for the 8 school buses travelling south down Sheppard Boulevard from the loading/unloading stop in front of Father Leduc Catholic School.

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Christ the King School egress/entrance; all traffic coming out of the school driveway apron take a left hand turn going west to Leduc. There are 11 buses that head east in the right hand lane and turn into the school parking lot, then park in front of the school to drop off students. There is no turning lane on Rollyview Road, to allow buses to turn safely. If there is traffic behind the bus these vehicles go in the left lane to pass the bus. When vehicles are turning east out of the school they do not see the oncoming vehicle beside the bus in the far left lane, making it a safety issue. The speed limit is 50 km per hour and is not classified as a school zone. The Division Safety & Transportation Officer would like to request a solution to make this road safe for buses and other traffic. He would also like to request a reduced speed limit on Rollyview Road.

(Cameron Chisholm)

Decision

Christ the King School - TAC mentioned that Rollyview Road is four lanes and classified as an arterial road way. It is classified as a "school area" not "school zone" by the Alberta Transportation guide lines.

TAC asked if the School Board can bring back their engineering report that they are having done to our engineering department for review. TAC suggested that a one-way flow of traffic in the parking lot of Christ the King School be a possibility having the parking lot enter at one end and exit at the other end of the parking lot. TAC asked if a turning lane at the west entrance could be a possibility, and if the School Board could fund the turning lane.

Father Leduc Catholic School – TAC suggest putting up speed awareness signs to see what the traffic volumes are on Southfork Drive. Engineering will look at the traffic at Sheppard Boulevard and Southfork Drive and the long term of traffic in this area.

Notre Dame School - They would like better handi-cap signage in front of the school.

Action

Shawn Olson and Kyle Van Steenoven - will look at the traffic at Sheppard Boulevard and Southfork Drive and the long term traffic in this area to see if any changes are required.

Gerry Lang will place a speed awareness sign on Southfork Drive and Sheppard Boulevard.

Gerry Lang will place better signage in front of Notre Dame School handicap area.

Cameron Chisholm will let Division Safety & Transportation Officer know the outcome of the meeting.

April 11, 2019 meeting – TAC recommend to Council to place a three way stop at Southfork Drive and Sheppard Boulevard. This will make it safe for children crossing and busses turning this corner.

Gerry Lang will have the curb painting along Southfork Drive and Sheppard Boulevard this will be completed this spring.

Gerry Lang will place a three way stop sign at Southfork Drive and Sheppard Boulevard.

Gerry Lang will check the data from the camera in front of Father Leduc Catholic School to see if there is speeding in this area.

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Cameron Chisholm will follow up with the Division Safety & Transportation Officer.

Take off agenda

CARRIED

Background **2.** Speed limits within the City of Leduc (Shawn Olson)
There are concerns within Leduc that residents do not like the 50 km speed limit throughout the city.

Decision **TAC recommends to Council** – To have The City of Leduc Communications Department come up with a strategy to find out what speed limits residents would like to see throughout Leduc.

TAC suggestions were;

- Have an open house in neighborhoods and find out what people want for residential speed limits on local roads.
- TAC is interested in looking at the speed limits neighborhood by neighborhood, and then look at lowering the speed limits in different areas of the city if this is what residents want.
- TAC would like to see neighborhoods grouped together for open houses, and ask their opinions in each neighborhood. This would give TAC a better idea what speed limits residents want in each neighborhood.
- TAC recommend communications set up a survey for residents, have an open house in neighborhoods, and look at giving out door to door notices.
- TAC will present this to Council in May 2019.

April 11, 2019 meeting – TAC recommend to Council;

- To include a questionnaire in the 2020 Census, and have implementation in 2021, then reengage through census in 2022.
- Include one to two questions specific to traffic speed
- Split the city into areas to initiate three public engagement opportunities for residents living in those respective neighborhoods.
- An online poll was suggested prior to census
- TAC would like to see the branding of vision zero rolled out, as they are implementing a lot of the actions already.
- Budget should be added to have vision zero implemented.
- Public Services will need to budget in 2021 for future implementation.

Action *Bring back to the February meeting 2020*

CARRIED

New Items

Background **3.** Review the two-hour parking limit on the west side of 48 Street. (Cameron Chisholm)

Decision ➤ Staff at the Leduc Hospital are upset that there is no parking at the police station anymore, as 20 – 30 cars parked in this area.

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- The Director of Alberta Health Services stated that there is allocated parking behind the Leduc Hospital for staff and across the street from the hospital, these stalls cost staff \$30.00 a month for parking.
- There is free patient and public parking in the hospital parking lot.

TAC recommend to Council that there is plenty of allocated parking for Leduc Hospital Staff in the lots provided by Alberta Health Services, and the two-hour street parking will not be changed. This was the recommendation by both the Director, Alberta Health Services Parking and the Manager of the Leduc Hospital who attended the session.

Action *Take off agenda*

CARRIED

Background **4.** Temporary street parking on the north side of the Protective Service Building (PSB) (Cameron Chisholm)

Decision **TAC recommend to Council** that during construction of the paving at the Protective Services Building Police vehicles be allowed to park in the no parking zone along the 42 Avenue. TAC would like signs placed under the no parking sign stating "Police Vehicles Only"

Action **Gerry Lang** – Public Services will change the no parking signs by adding "Police Vehicles Only"

Take off agenda

CARRIED

Background **5.** Resident lives on Haida Avenue by the Leduc Composite High School. Residence and high school students in this area cut through Cayuga to access 50 Street to miss the traffic light by Maclab Theatre, especially during the day when it's busy. Multiple residence have numerous near misses at the Athapaskan Drive intersection from traffic coming off of 50 Street onto Athapaskan Drive, ignoring their yield sign. (Cameron Chisholm)

Resident would like TAC to consider the following;

- a) Yield sign converted to a stop sign at Athapaskan Drive and Cayuga Street.
- b) Crosswalk placed at Athapaskan Drive where the mailboxes are located.
- c) Speed awareness sign is facing the wrong way on Haida Avenue.

Decision **TAC recommend to Council;**

- a) TAC agree that a three-way stop be put in place at Athapaskan Drive and Cayuga Street.
- b) No cross walk will be placed at Athapaskan Drive where the mailboxes are located.
- c) Data shows there is no speeding into the cul de sac on Haida Avenue, the speed awareness sign will be removed.

Action **Gerry Lang** – will have Public Service Staff put in a three-way stop at Athapaskan Drive and Cayuga Street and remove the speed awareness sign on Haida Avenue.

Take off agenda

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- Background **6.** Resident is requesting “No Parking” signs be placed on 54 Avenue on the west side of 50 Street, as it is too narrow to drive through with cars parked on both side of the street.
(Gerry Lang)
- Decision **TAC recommend to Council** that there be no parking signs placed on the north side of 54 Avenue from the signal lights approximately 17 metres into the street.
Gerry Lang – will have Public Services place no parking signs on the north side of 54 Avenue.
- Action *Take off agenda* **CARRIED**
- Background **7.** Alton Drive speed table reinstallation. (Shawn Olson)
- Decision **TAC recommend to Council** that two speed tables be placed on Alton Drive, on the north side of black Gold Drive. There will be no speed tables placed on Alton Drive, south of Black Gold Drive.
Gerry Lang – Public Services will place the speed tables on Alton Drive, north of Black Gold Drive in the spring 2019.
- Action *Take off agenda* **CARRIED**
- Background **8.** Review of the TAC presentation to Council on May 27, 2019. (Kyle Van Steenoven)
- Decision The TAC presentation that is going to Council May 27, 2019 was presented to TAC.
- Action *Take off agenda* **CARRIED**
- Background **9.** Meeting dates must be changed for June 20, 2019 and November 14, 2019.
(Shawn Olson)
- Decision **TAC recommend to Council** to change the following TAC meeting dates;
June 20 – Change to June 27
September 12 – Change to September 19
November 14 – Change to November 21
The meetings will be held at 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Action *Take off agenda* **CARRIED**
Meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.
Next meeting – June 27, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. – OPS Building, 2nd Floor, Engineering Boardroom.