

**Members' Motion submitted to Public Works and Infrastructure Committee**

Meeting date: 27 February 2025

Moved by: Councillor Johnson

**Motion Title: Motion – Councillor L. Johnson – Community Safety Zone on Maitland Avenue**

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Ward: College (8)

**Motion d'un membre soumise au Comité de l'infrastructure et des travaux publics**

Date de la réunion : le 27 février 2025

Motion de : Conseillère Johnson

**Titre de la motion : Motion – Conseillère L. Johnson - Zone de sécurité communautaire sur l'avenue Maitland**

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**Motion**

**WHEREAS Maitland Avenue between the Highway 417 overpass and Clyde Avenue carries high volume car and truck traffic; and**

**WHEREAS Maitland Avenue cuts through residential neighbourhoods on both sides; and**

**WHEREAS collisions are frequent on this portion of Maitland Avenue; and**

**WHEREAS this portion of Maitland Avenue has a church, a childcare centre, a park, many homes and several bus stops; and**

**WHEREAS a worker from the childcare centre was struck from behind by a vehicle in November, 2024; and**

**WHEREAS the City has identified the intersection of Maitland/Erindale/Glenmount as problematic due to the risk of collisions and the high volume of children and youth who cross there daily for school; and**

**WHEREAS the speed limit is 50 km/h but a speed study in this stretch in January 2022 found the 85th percentile was 60 km/h and another speed study in this stretch in November 2022 found the 85th percentile was 65 km/h;**

**WHEREAS Community Safety Zones are a tool to help reduce the speed travelled along the roadway and to improve the safety of vulnerable road users in this area; and**

**WHEREAS the community has repeatedly expressed concerns regarding the persistent and dangerous speeding issues on this stretch; and**

**WHEREAS Community Safety Zones in Ottawa are established via delegated authority of the General Manager of Public Works and the Director of Traffic Services within locations that meet the Council-approved criteria for the installation of Automated Speed Enforcement; and**

**WHEREAS the segment of Maitland Avenue between Hwy 417 and Clyde Ave does not meet the Council-approved criteria for Automated Speed Enforcement;**

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Transportation Committee recommend that Council approve:**

- 1. Designating a Community Safety Zone on Maitland Avenue between Hwy 417 and Clyde Ave; and;**
- 2. Installing corresponding signage as soon as practicable.**

#### **Motion**

**ATTENDU QU'un nombre élevé de voitures et de camions circulent sur l'avenue Maitland entre le passage supérieur de l'autoroute 417 et l'avenue Clyde; et**

**ATTENDU QUE l'avenue Maitland traverse de part et d'autre des quartiers résidentiels; et**

**ATTENDU QUE les collisions sont fréquentes sur ce tronçon de l'avenue Maitland; et**

**ATTENDU QU'on trouve sur ce tronçon une église, un centre de garde d'enfants, un parc, de nombreuses habitations et plusieurs arrêts d'autobus; et**

**ATTENDU QU'en novembre 2024, une personne travaillant dans le centre de garde a été percutée par-derrière par un véhicule; et**

**ATTENDU QUE** la Ville considère l'intersection entre l'avenue Maitland et la promenade Erindale et l'avenue Glenmount comme problématique en raison du risque de collision et du nombre élevé d'enfants et de jeunes qui traversent le carrefour quotidiennement pour se rendre à l'école; et

**ATTENDU QUE** la limite de vitesse est fixée à 50 km/h, mais que des études de la vitesse réalisées sur ce tronçon en janvier 2022 et en novembre 2022 ont révélé que la vitesse du 85<sup>e</sup> percentile était respectivement de 60 km/h et de 65 km/h; et

**ATTENDU QUE** les zones de sécurité communautaires contribuent à réduire la vitesse et à améliorer la sécurité des usagers vulnérables dans ce secteur; et

**ATTENDU QUE** les résidentes et résidents ont exprimé à maintes reprises leurs inquiétudes concernant les problèmes de vitesse persistants et dangereux sur ce tronçon; et

**ATTENDU QUE** les zones de sécurité communautaires à Ottawa sont établies en vertu des pouvoirs délégués au directeur général des Travaux publics et à la directrice des Services de la circulation aux endroits remplissant les critères approuvés par le Conseil pour l'installation d'appareils de contrôle automatisé de la vitesse; et

**ATTENDU QUE** le tronçon de l'avenue Maitland entre l'autoroute 417 et l'avenue Clyde ne remplit pas les critères approuvés par le Conseil pour l'installation d'appareils de contrôle automatisé de la vitesse;

**PAR CONSÉQUENT, IL EST RÉSOLU QUE** le Comité des transports recommande au Conseil d'approuver :

- 1. la désignation d'une zone de sécurité communautaire sur l'avenue Maitland entre l'autoroute 417 et l'avenue Clyde;**
- 2. l'installation d'une signalisation correspondante, dès que possible.**

**Public Works Department**

Community Safety Zones Established via Delegated Authority

In 2019, as part of the Council-approved Community Safety Zone Implementation Plan Report (ACS2019-TSD-TRF-0008), delegated authority was granted to the General Manager of Transportation Services and the Director of Traffic Services to establish Community Safety Zones for the purpose of automated speed enforcement. Following

Traffic Services' realignment into the Public Works Department in Q4 2021, the Delegated Authority transitioned to the General Manager of Public Works.

Since 2019, Community Safety Zones established via delegated authority in Ottawa are within locations that meet criteria for the installation of automated speed enforcement. These areas are established under staff delegated authority and are in effect only once enacted as part of the Community Safety Zone By-law (By-law No. 2019-397) and signed accordingly.

### Outcome of Staff's Review

Traffic Services staff have completed a review of the corridor identified by Councillor Johnson to be designated as a Community Safety Zone. Speed surveys occurring in January and in November 2022 on Maitland Avenue between Highway 417 and Clyde Avenue indicate an 85<sup>th</sup> percentile or operating speed of between 60 and 65 km/h while the posted speed limit is 50 km/h.

Staff do not expect that a Community Safety Zone designation alone on this portion of Maitland Drive will achieve a speed reduction without also implementing integrated speed management measures appropriate for this type of roadway and/or consistent enforcement. The segment of Maitland Avenue between Highway 417 and Clyde Avenue does not meet the necessary criteria for Automated Speed Enforcement, and as such, staff do not have delegated authority for the installation of a Community Safety Zone.

Should Council approve Councillor Johnson's motion, the Public Works Department will implement a Community Safety Zone on Maitland Avenue between Hwy 417 and Clyde Avenue as soon as practicable in 2025. The costs to implement the Community Safety Zone will be covered by the existing Traffic Services operating budget. The estimated cost is approximately \$3,600.00 plus HST.

### **Financial Implications**

There are no financial implications associated with the report recommendations because, if approved, the implementation could be completed with existing budgets.

### **Legal Implications**

There are no legal impediments to approving the recommendation as outlined in this report.

**Disposition:**

If carried at Committee, this motion will be submitted to City Council for consideration on 26 March 2025.

Staff in the Public Works Department implement the recommendations in this motion, as appropriate.