

#### THE TOWN OF GEORGINA

# SAFE STREETS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### **AGENDA**

Monday, December 12, 2016 7:00 PM Committee Room

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR
- 4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS
- 5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 6. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF
- 7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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- 8. DELEGATIONS/SPEAKERS
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- 10. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS ON THE AGENDA

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(1) Safe Streets Complaints, inquiries, tracker and follow-up. Regular update by Scott Edwards if available.

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(A) Another proposal for the budget (revisited from Oct 2015)

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(B) Lake Drive and Brule Hazardous opening in Hedge: follow up.

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(3) Making Communities and School Zones Safer

# 11. OTHER BUSINESS

- (1) Campaign suggestions.
- (2) New area of interest for further investigation (ongoing agenda item).
- 12. CLOSED SESSION, IF REQUIRED
- 13. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Next meeting Monday, February 27, 2016.

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#### **MINUTES**

Monday, October 24, 2016 7:00 PM Committee Room

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

#### ROLL CALL

The following Committee members were present:
Councillor Naomi Davison, Chair
Marc Lavergne, Vice Chair
Cathy Hasted
Charlene Greig
Mike Roots, Sargent
Tanya Hilton
Rob Bassie

The following staff members were in attendance: Ken Turriff, Interim Communications Manager Scott Edwards, Road Superintendent Sarah Brislin, Committee Services Coordinator

#### ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Chair Naomi Davison called for nominations to the position of Vice Chair Committee member Rob Bassie nominated member Marc Lavergne, Charlene Greig

Seconded the nomination.

The Chair made three further calls; no other nominations were received.

Marc Lavergne was acclaimed Vice Chair.

# 4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS

(1) Email from Cathy Hasted regarding the Public Service Announcements Campaign

# 5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Cathy Hasted, Seconded by Tanya Hilton

#### **RESOLUTION NO. GSSC-2016-0041**

That the agenda for the Georgina Safe Streets Committee for the October 24, 2016, be approved with the inclusion of the following addendum item:

 Email from Cathy Hasted regarding the Public Service Announcements Campaign

#### Carried.

- 6. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF None
- ADOPTION OF MINUTES
  - (1) Minutes of the GSSC meeting held on October 3, 2016.

Moved by Charlene Greig, Seconded by Marc Lavergne

#### **RESOLUTION NO. GSSC-2016-0042**

That the Georgina Safe Streets Committee adopt the meeting minutes of October 3, 2016.

#### Carried.

- 8. DELEGATIONS/SPEAKERS None
- 9. PRESENTATIONS
  - (1) Public Service Announcements Campaign, discussion

Ken Turriff, Interim Communications Manager, introduced himself and provided the Committee with a background of a similar project he had worked on for the Region of York.

The Committee discussed possible campaign ideas with Ken Turriff including:

Appropriate/using the Region PSA videos

- The Committee discussed using Social Media and/or Gem Theatre to broadcast social service announcements with their campaign message
- The Committee discussed leveraging 'Road Watch.'
- Focusing on:
  - drinking and driving (distracted driving)
  - o being seen
  - o not passing plows on the right side
  - School Buss Stopping
  - Not building snow forts in ditches
  - o Emergency preparedness for Drivers
  - Visibility (Ice Scraping)
  - Snow brushing off roof
- Having the Mayor and/or Council deliver a video message
- Having someone who has had a personal experience deliver a message
- Reuse other video messages
- Going on local Rogers TV
- Using Town Page
- Making Campaign so it can be re-used in future
- Putting some responsibility on pedestrians
  - o Takes time to stop a vehicle

Committee members suggested emailing ideas to Committee Services Coordinator.

Moved by Tanya Hilton, Seconded by Rob Bassie

#### **RESOLUTION NO. GSSC-2016-0043**

That the Georgina Safe Streets Committee receive the Public Service Announcements Campaign verbal presentation by Ken Turriff, Interim Communications Manager.

#### Carried.

#### 10. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS ON THE AGENDA

(1) Safe Streets Complaints, inquiries, tracker and follow-up. Regular update by Scott Edwards if available.

Scott Edwards, Road Superintendent, advised the Committee of the following updates:

Ravencrest Road – the complaints and changes in traffic are likely due to nearby construction and may subside after construction is complete. Roads will continue to study.

Osbourne Street and Dunkleman Drive (4 way stop request) – waiting to see if the request meets the warrants

Queen Street and King Street (4 way stop request) – waiting to see if the request meets the warrants

Scott Edwards advised the Committee he looked at the budget from the previous year and confirmed that the trailer was included in the upcoming budget

The Committee requested Sarah Brislin, Committee Service Coordinator, send a memo to Council to requesting

Moved by Cathy Hasted, Seconded by Marc Lavergne

#### **RESOLUTION NO. GSSC-2016-0044**

That the Georgina Safe Streets Committee request Council support 2017 budget requests from Operations and Infrastructure Department for a 'traffic trailer' and three 'traffic counters.'

#### Carried.

#### 11. COMMUNICATIONS

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(1) Tougher Penalties for Drug-Impaired Drivers Coming October 2

Moved by Charlene Greig, Seconded by Rob Bassie

# **RESOLUTION NO. GSSC-2016-0045**

That the Georgina Safe Streets Committee receive the article Tougher Penalties for Drug-Impaired Drivers Coming October 2.

#### Carried.

# 11. OTHER BUSINESS

(1) Traffic Calming Options Discussion - What is appropriate and when tools for the Committee.

The Committee was advised the Traffic Calming Options had been updated to reflect the prices of the options. It is a tool for the Committee to refer to as required.

(2) Permanent bendable pylons.

The Committee discussed the idea of permanent bendable pylons which stick out of the road. They meant to slow cars but not damage cars and replace hard surface barriers which could cause serious injuries to the driver.

(3) New area of interest for further investigation (ongoing agenda item).

The Committee asked about the Crosswalk request that had been sent to Council after their previous meeting. They were advised staff were investigating, and the Committee memo had been sent to Council.

- 12. CLOSED SESSION, IF REQUIRED
- 13. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Next meeting Monday, December 12, 2016.

Moved by Tanya Hilton, Seconded by Marc Lavergne

# **RESOLUTION NO. GSSC-2016-0046**

That the Georgina Safe Streets Committee meeting for October 24, 2016, be adjourned 8:25 PM.

Carried.

Chair	
C. Sarah A. E Services Coo	Brislin, Committe

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DATE	STREET	TRAFFIC STUDY	ISSUE	ACTION	OUTCOME OF ISSUE	REASON NOT COMPLETED		Status			
	NAME	STATUS		REQUIRED			Pre	During	Post	Contact YRP	
25-Jun-14	BRULE LAKEWAY	completeed	SUMMER SPEEDING	TRAFFIC STUDY ROADS DIV.	85th percentile 38					✓	
23-May-14	LAKE DRIVE EAST	completed	SPEEDING TRAFFIC AND	TRAFFIC STUDY	85th Percentile 50						
			PEDESTRIAN SAFETY	ROADS DIV.							
07-Jul-14	Roselm Avenue	completed	Traffic volume and speeding vehicles as a result of Walmart/ Shopping Centre	Traffic Study ROADS DIV.	85th Percentile 39						
23-Jul-14	Arlington Drive and Richmond Park Drive	Contracted Service	Repaint in 2014	ROADS DIV.	Painted but to be redone						
18-Jul-14	Thornlodge Drive	Contracted Service	Zebra crosswalk	ROADS DIV.	Completed						
21-Jul-14	Shorecrest Road	Completed	Speeding traffic and safety of pedestrians and children playing.	ROADS DIV.	85th percentile 33km - No issue - Message left for resident						
29-Jul-14	Lake Drive East	Completed	Automated "Your speed" warning indicator not functioning properly	ROADS DIV.	Trimmed Trees						
06-Aug-14	Cronsberry Road	completed	Speeding traffic and pedestrian safety	ROADS DIV.	Low volume, 85th Percentile 54						
02-Sep-14	Biscayne	completed	Pedestrian Safety	Counts	Pedestrian Count Sept 3 /14. 85th percentile found to be 38 km/hr - With Trailer 85th percentile found to be 52 km/hr.		54	52	46		
02-Sep-14	Joe Dales	Pending Assumed	Pedestrian Safety	Road to be Assumed	85th Percentile 39 - Temporary stop sign study pending						
04-Sep-14	Riveredge	completed	Want Speed Humps	Traffic Study	YRP notified of speeding						
15-Sep-14	Thornlodge Drive	Completed	Speeding Traffic and pedestrian safety	Roads Div.	Completed 4-way stop and markings.						
08-Oct-14	Country Mile Lane	Completed	Speeding traffic and accident concerns	Traffic Study Roads Div.	Closed		65				
14-Oct-14	Church Street	completed	Speeding Traffic	Traffic Study Roads Div.	85th percentile found to be 62 km/hr						
	Biscayne	Completed	Speeding Traffic	Traffic Study	85th Percentile 46km						
31-Oct-14	The Queensway N.	completed	Speeding traffic Four-way stop requested	Traffic Study	traffic found to be travelling at a safe speed	Stop sign policy being reviewed					
08-Jan-15	Duclos Pt. Rd.	Completed	Speeding traffic	Traffic Study	Stop signs Installed						
19-Jan-15	The Queensway N.	Completed	Pedestrian Safety Crosswalk sign in place but no road markings.	ROADS DIV.	Was removed and School doesn't need						
17-Feb-15	Arlington and Iveagh	Completed	Cars go through this 4 way stop. Wants speed bumps and cameras put in.	Traffic Study	Traffic study found the intersection does not warrant this	To be reviewed					

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20-Feb-15	Church Street	Pending	Intersection dangerous for crossing Queensway and Church Street - cars go through stop signs - Would like a stop light there	To be reviewed	Pending	To be reviewed					
23-Feb-15	Richmond Park Drive	Completed	People parking on both sides of narrow road - dangerous/ cant see/ people drive too fast she has almost been hit	Bylaws	Bylaws						
10-Apr-15	Lyons Lane	Completed	Very narrow street and with people parking on both sides she is worried emergency vehicles would not fit down the street.	Bylaws	Bylaws						
08-May-15	Riveredge Drive	completed	Concerns with pedestrian safety, adequate lighting, placement of speed bumps and to have the speed limit reinforce	traffic study	Notified Yrp		49		40		
	Biscayne	completed by June 15	would like 2 Stop signs	Traffic Study	Complted						
	Catering	Completed 2015	Paint Markings, Stop Sign	Larger Sign	Larger Stop Sign installed,Lines ongoing						
	John Link Way	Ongoing	Speeding wants Stop Sign	Traffic Study	Pending due to constrction						
	Smith Blvd	On Hold	TruckTraffic	Traffic Study	Pending						
June 17 2015	Oakcrest	completed	Speeding, concern for kids	Traffic Study for YRP	85th percentile 42 km/hr						
Sept 9 2015	Blackriver Rd	completed	Speeding	Traffic Study	Speed Dropped notify YRP of times		79	54			
Sept 22 2015	Bayview	Completed	Speeding, Wants Stop Sign	Traffic Study	Did not meet reqirements for an all way stop		47				
Oct 2 2015	Glasgow	Completed	Speeding ,cat injured	Traffic Study	Low percentile , speeding random	No need at this time	44				
Oct 19 2015	Irene	completed	Speeding	Traffic Study	yrp notified		57	57	62		
August 6 2006	Franklin Beach	Completed	Speeding Dead End St	Traffic Study	Speeding Minimal, put up No Exit Signs		42				
Nov 2 2015	Glenwoods	Completed	Speeding	Traffic Study	Informe YRP, Add Bus Signs		59				
Nov 23 2015	Lake Drive East	Completed	Speeding/Bus Stop	Traffic Study	School Board cannot accomadate	Software Issue,counter out	47				
	Wood River Bend	completed	Speeding	Traffic Study	Radar Trailer found to reduce speding	Background Research					
	Old Shiloh	On going	Speeding	Traffic Study	Yrp notified of speeding, placed speed radar trailer, Markings demonstrated minimal impact, to place signs	Explore Speed Options sign out	76	73	84	l Yes	
	Sedore	On going	Speeding	Traffic Study	placed speed radar trailer, loactes in for extra speed signs						
	Hedge Road	completed	Speeding	Traffic Study	85th percentile 49						
May 16 2016	Lake Drive N	completed	speeding	traffic study	85th percentile 38						
May 18 2016	Church Street	completed	Speed Limit/ Cyclist Count	Traffic Study	85th persentile 60						
May 18 2016	Amberview	Completed	Stop Sign Requested	Traffic Study	Warrant 4 in Policy RD1 was not met						
May 24 2016 May 24 2016	Joe Dales Dr Morning Glory Rd	Completed completed	speeding, wants stop sign Sepeeding	Traffic Study Traffic Study	85th percentile found to be 45 km/hr Speed trailer was in place, yrp notified						
May 26 2016	Moring Glory Rd	completed	speeding	Traffic Study	Speed trailer was in place, yrp notified						
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June 1 2016	Pefferlaw Road	Completed	Speeding	Traffic Study	85th percentile found to be 65km/h, Speed Trailer found to significantly reduce speeds in the area. Post count 85th percentile 63 km/hr. Resident has been contacted by Region, will reconsider speed limit to better suit the roads characteristics			65		63	
June 7 2016	River Beach Rd	completed	speeding	traffic study	Community Watch/YRP tabs placed in neighbourhood. Speed Radar sign installed.						
Jun-16		ongoing	Walking the wrong way, no sidewalks	to be determined							
June 7 2016	Clovely Cove	completed	speeding	traffic study	85th percentile found to be 62 km/hr						
Jul-04 Jul-11 Jul-19 Jul-25 Aug-08	Brule Lake Drive N Lake Dr N Wexford Dr McCowan Rd	completed completed completed completed completed	speeding speeding speeding speeding speeding	traffic study traffic study traffic study traffic study traffic study	85th percentile found to be 42 km/hr 85th percentile found to be 44 km/hr 85th percentile found to be 44 km/hr 85th percentile found to be 54 km/hr 85th percentile found to be 92 km/hr						
Aug-08	McCowan Rd	completed	Speeding	Traffic Study	85th percentile found to be 84 km/hr						
Aug-16	Ravencrest Rd	onging	speeding	traffic study	counter in place, had a bad count	bad count. 85th %: 18km/h	Oct 3: bad count, tube split				
Aug-25 Aug-31	Riverglen Riley Avenue	complete complete	speeding speeding	traffic study traffic study	85th percentile 47 km/hr. (40km/hr) 85th percentile 30km/hr. (40km/hr)						
Sep-06	Civic Center Rd	complete	speeding/volume over weekend	traffic study	85th percentile 75km/hr (60km/hr)						
Sep-21 Sep-23	Glenwoods Wood River Bend	complete complete	speeding speeding	traffic study traffic study	85th percentile 84km/hr (70km/hr) 85th percentile 52km/hr (40km/hr)						
Sep-27	Dunkelman Dr	Complete. Daily volume does not meet requirements.	4 way stop sign request	traffic study (x2 streets)	Osbourne: 85th: 39km/hr (40km/hr) Bouchier: 85th: 47km/hr (40km/hr)	traffic count of	complete,				
Oct-03	Queen Street	Complete. Daily volume does not meet requirements.	4 way stop sign request	traffic study (x2 streets)	King: 85th: 44km/hr (40km/hr) Queen: 85th: 47km/hr (40km/hr)		nt complete,				
Oct-06	Huntley Dr	complete	speeding	traffic study	85th percentile 50km/hr (40km/hr)						
Oct-07	Baldwin Road	complete.	speed reduction, signage required	traffic study	85th percentile 68km/hr (70km/hr)						
Nov-01	Ravencrest Rd	complete. YRP notified.	Speeding. (Study of previous bad counter.)	traffic study	85th percentile 78km/hr (60km/hr)					,	Yrp Notified
Nov-14	Smith Blvd	Complete	Traffic Study	Traffic Study	85th percentile 62km/hr (50km/hr)						
Nov-14	Catering Rd	Complete	Traffic Study	Traffic Study	85th percentile 71km/hr (60km/hr)						

From: Naomi Davison

Sent: October-05-15 10:41 AM
To: Rob Wheater; Sarah Brislin

**Cc:** Margaret Quirk

**Subject:** FW: another proposal for the budget

Hi Rob and Sarah,

Will you add the following to the 2015 budget discussion and the next agenda for the Safe Streets Committee?

Thanks in advance,

Naomi

From: on behalf of

Sent: Monday, October 05, 2015 10:23 AM

To: Margaret Quirk; Naomi Davison;

Subject: another proposal for the budget

Good Morning Madam Mayor, Counselor Davison,

As you are aware I have had some concerns about the safety of Lake Dr South for both pedestrians and cyclists. Not to mention the risk to drivers as well. The area of most concern is between Ravenshoe Rd and Glenwoods Ave in Keswick.

Lake Drive South is very narrow. An old "cottage" street although we are no longer a cottage community. It is dark when the sun goes down and not really wide enough to accommodate the amount of traffic, especially when cars are parked along the route. In winter it is a disaster. The snow reduces the width even further.

Please race along that strip like it is a race track. I walk that road often and it is frightening. I've spoken with other pedestrians that feel the same way. I recall last winter wearing reflective clothing, flashing light on myself and on the dog I was walking. Please still came right at us. More than once I have pulled a dog into a ditch in order for us to avoid being hit. There is little concern for those of us on foot it seems when the driver is in a hurry to get home.

There is one stop sign on that stretch of road, at Young's Harbor. One. There are no signs reminding drivers that is is a shared road and no signs reminding people that Pedestrians walk left and cyclists ride right. Since so many people do not follow these simple guidelines it becomes even more confusing for the driver that IS trying to be conscientious and drive safely.

I am not asking that you widen the road. Not even asking for sidewalks, although in this day it sure would be nice to have them... I am asking for signs like those on Lake Dr North. I am asking for stop signs that will force drivers to slow down. Many people I have spoken with would also like to see a speed bump or two sure wouldn't hurt.

I request that Council allows some room in the budget for at least those signs and Stop signs? I believe this would help to slow down the traffic a little. Also more Police patrol along there. Not at Glenwoods and Lake Dr or at Youngs Harbor. That only really serves to catch those rolling through the stop sign, not catch those racing.

The residents in the older portion of Ward 1 would like to be able to go for a walk without being hit by a car. This area is not accessible for people requiring mobility scooters, wheel chairs, pushing baby strollers or even just going for a walk

Thank you for your consideration.	
website!	

with our dog. on Annshiela Dr. Another raceway. The subdivisions enjoy sidewalks. I am asking for space in the budget to improve the safety, accessibility and comfort of the Lake Dr South community.

From: Scott Edwards

Sent: October-04-16 7:26 AM

**To:** Sarah Brislin **Subject:** FW: Tee issue

Fyi

Scott Edwards CRS
Road Superintendent
Engineering and Public Works
Town of Georgina
905- 476- 4301 ext 2232

From: Scott Edwards

Sent: Tuesday, October 04, 2016 7:23 AM

To: Robert Gerrie

Cc: John Armstrong; Selwyn Mendonca

Subject: Tee issue

Bob

We had a request from the Safe Streets Committee that the hedge at Lake Drive and Brule on the west side has a hole in it and people pop out creating a possible hazard to drivers.

Can you have assessed and let me know solution?

It could be Parks?

Selwyn please create w/o

Scott

Scott Edwards CRS
Road Superintendent
Engineering and Public Works
Town of Georgina
905- 476- 4301 ext 2232

From: Carolyn Lance

Sent: November-18-16 2:56 PM

To: Sarah Brislin

**Cc:** Michael Baskerville; John Espinosa

**Subject:** Crosswalk Request, Safe Streets Committee

Attachments: K. Disposition; GSSC, School Crosswalk on Baseline Rd.pdf

Please be advised that Council, at its November 16th Council meeting, considered the attached correspondence from the Georgina Safe

Streets Committee concerning a request for a crosswalk on Baseline Road, and passed the following motion:

Moved by Councillor Davison, Seconded by Councillor Neeson

#### **RESOLUTION NO. C-2016-0588**

That correspondence from the Georgina Safe Streets Committee concerning a permanent flashing crosswalk be received and that Council

request the Region of York to install a permanent flashing crosswalk on Baseline Road in front of the Sutton Public School in the absence

of meeting the required warrants.

#### Carried.

I will forward the request to the Region for their consideration.

#### **Carolyn Lance**

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# **RESOLUTION NO. C-2016-0515**

Robin M.

Sarah B.

That correspondence from the Georgina Accessibility Advisory Committee requesting Council consider closing a portion of Lake Drive adjacent to De La Salle Park during the summer months to improve pedestrian safety be received and referred to staff for inclusion in the Waterfront Recreational Strategy as a priority issue with strong potential as a pilot project, and to the Georgina Safe Streets Committee.

Carried.

From: Sarah Brislin

Sent: November-24-16 4:01 PM

**To:** Cathy Hasted (jamris@rogers.com); Charlene Greig (charandscott@bell.net); Dan

Pisani; Marc Lavergne (marclavergne200@hotmail.com); Naomi Davison; Rob Bassie (robbassie@gmail.com); Robert (Bob) Fortier; Roots, Michael #1353; Scott Edwards;

'Tanya Hilton'

**Subject:** FW: November 16th Council resolution

Attachments: I. Disposition; Nomination Request, June Callwood Voluntarism Award.pdf

From: Carolyn Lance

**Sent:** November-18-16 12:45 PM

<kturriff@georgina.ca>

Subject: November 16th Council resolution

Please be advised that Town Council at its meeting held on November 16<sup>th</sup> considered the attached correspondence requesting nominations and passed the following motion, for your attention:

"That correspondence from the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration requesting submissions of nominations for the

June Callwood Outstanding Achievement Award for Voluntarism in Ontario no later than December 5<sup>th</sup> be received and referred to the

Recreation and Culture Department, to the Committee Services Coordinator for circulation to the various Advisory Committees

and to the Communications Department for dissemination and disposition."

#### Thanks.

#### **Carolyn Lance**

Council Services Coordinator Clerk's Division | Town of Georgina 26557 Civic Centre Rd., Keswick, ON L4P 3G1

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From: Ontario News < newsroom@ontario.ca>

Sent: November-08-16 10:09 AM

To: Sarah Brislin

**Subject:** Making Communities and School Zones Safer





#### News Release

# **Making Communities and School Zones Safer**

November 8, 2016

#### **Province Working With Municipalities to Fight Speeding**

Ontario intends to introduce legislation that would target unsafe drivers and help protect school children, seniors, other pedestrians and cyclists.

Premier Kathleen Wynne was in Ottawa today to announce intended legislation that, if passed, would give municipalities more tools to improve safety in <u>community safety zones and school zones</u>.

These measures would include:

- Automated speed enforcement (ASE) technology on municipal roads, which takes pictures of speeders'
   licence plates and is already used in many parts of North America and Europe, and for community safety
   zones and school zones
- The ability to create zones with reduced speed limits to decrease the severity of pedestrian-vehicle collisions in urban areas
- A streamlined process for municipalities to participate in Ontario's Red Light Camera program without the need for lengthy regulatory approval.

Ontario has heard from municipalities seeking to improve safety in their communities in the wake of collisions involving children, seniors, other pedestrians and cyclists, and is proposing these changes as a result.

Making roads safer for cyclists and pedestrians of all ages by giving municipalities options to enforce traffic laws is part of Ontario's plan to create jobs, grow our economy and help people in their everyday lives.

**QUICK FACTS** 

- Speed is one of the biggest killers on Ontario's roads: 14 per cent of all people killed on our roads in 2013 died in collisions where speed was a factor.
- In 2013, approximately three out of every four speed-related collisions occurred on municipal roads.
- Studies show that lowering the speed limit from 50 km/h to 40 km/h in urban areas would reduce the number
  of deaths by half.

#### **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

- Pedestrian Safety
- Speed Limits
- Distracted Driving

#### **QUOTES**

"We have seen too many injuries and deaths caused by drivers who speed and endanger people's lives. Our intent is to give municipalities more tools to help keep people safe on our roads."

- Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario

"Municipalities and our road safety partners have strongly advocated for tougher measures to stop dangerous drivers and better protect pedestrians. These measures would strengthen road safety in school zones and help municipalities keep their communities safe."

- Steven Del Duca, Minister of Transportation

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