CITY OF SASKATOON COUNCIL POLICY

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POLICY TITLE Reduced Speed Zones for Playgrounds	ADOPTED BY City Council	EFFECTIVE DATE March 28, 2022
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1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Policy is to establish the criteria for the application of reduced speed limits on streets near playgrounds.

2. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

- 2.1 <u>Playground</u>: park space with play equipment or outdoor or indoor athletic facilities such as sport fields, ball diamonds, splash parks and skating rinks.
- 2.2 <u>Playground Zone</u>: a zone near a playground where a reduced speed limit is in effect for part of the day.

3. POLICY

- 3.1 Playground zones are installed near playgrounds that have facilities or programs intended for children aged 14 and under.
- 3.2 Reduced speed limits in the playground zones are in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. every day.
- 3.3 The reduced speed limit in a playground zone is 30 km/h.
- 3.4 The length of the playground zones should be minimized, giving consideration to localized conditions. Playground and/or school zones that overlap, or nearly overlap, should be combined into one zone.

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- 3.5 The location and extent of each playground zone will be determined by the Transportation and Construction Division based on the process outlined in the latest edition of the Transportation Association of Canada's School and Playground Areas and Zones: Guidelines for Application and Implementation.
- 3.6 The beginning of a playground zone will be marked with signing indicating "PLAYGROUND AHEAD" and "MAXIMUM SPEED 30 KM/H, 07:00 TO 19:00".
- 3.7 The end of a playground zone will be marked with signing indicating "END PLAYGROUND ZONE" or the normal speed limit of the street indicated.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES

4.1 <u>City Council shall</u>:

Be responsible for approving any updates to this Policy recommended by the Transportation and Construction Division.

4.2 <u>General Manager of Transportation and Construction Division</u>, or their delegate shall:

Be responsible for approving the installation of playground zone signs.

4.3 Transportation and Construction Division shall:

Be responsible for administering, reviewing, and recommending updates to this Policy.