

Lakeridge Neighbourhood Traffic Review Follow – Up Meeting
Thursday, November 17, 2016, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Lakeridge School Library

Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Traffic Management Presentation from Transportation Division
3. Small Group Discussions & Report Back to Large Group
4. Next Steps
5. Large Group Discussion – Questions & Answers

1. Welcome & Introductions

(Presented by Mitch Riabko and Kathy Dahl, Facilitators)

2. Presentation from Transportation Division – Lakeridge Neighbourhood Traffic Review

(Presented by Lanre Akindipe, P.Eng, Transportation Engineer)

Presentation Outline

- Neighbourhood Traffic Management Program
- How We Got Here
- What We Heard
- What We Did
- What We Propose

Neighbourhood Traffic Management Program

- Address neighbourhood traffic issues:
 - Speeding concerns
 - Short-cutting concerns
 - Pedestrian safety
 - Intersection safety

How We Got Here

- May 2016 – Initial Traffic Meeting
- May to November 2016 – gather feedback, conduct traffic studies, collect data, develop traffic plan
- November 2016 – Follow Up Traffic Meeting - display proposed traffic plan and gather feedback

What We Heard

- A. Speeding / High Traffic Volume Concerns:
- Kingsmere Boulevard
 - Taylor Street
 - Nemeiben Road
 - Emmeline Road
 - Brudell Road

- Brabant Crescent
- Franklin Place / Crescent

B. Pedestrian Safety:

- Kingsmere Blvd & Lavalae Road
- Emmeline Road especially near mid-block crosswalk
- Taylor St & Weyakwin Dr

C. Intersection Safety:

- Taylor St & Weyakwin Dr
- Nemeiben Road & Emmeline Road
- Weyakwin Dr & Nemeiben Road
- Waterbury Road & Emmeline Road
- Kingsmere Blvd & Waterbury Road
- Kingsmere Blvd & Lavalae Road
- Emmeline Road & Swan Crescent

D. Parking:

- Emmeline Road & Swan Crescent
- Weyakwin Dr & Nemeiben Road
- Nemeiben Road & Emmeline Road

E. Other Issues:

- Snow removal
- Trees blocking signs & intersection
- Noise on Taylor Street
- School zone speed

What We Did

- Compiled Information received:
 - Past Studies
 - Comments from initial meeting
 - Resident responses (phone calls, emails, letters)
 - Comments from Shaping Saskatoon discussions
- Collected Data:
 - Traffic Studies
 - 4 Intersection / Pedestrian counts
 - 9 – 7 day traffic count (24 hour) & Average Speed measurements
 - ADT studies
 - Collision history
- Site visits / Field Reviews
- Assessed the issues
- Generated proposed recommendations

What We Propose

- 4 - way stop - 1 location
- Traffic calming – 7 locations
- Parking restrictions – 5 locations
- Stop signs (intersecting streets on Kingsmere Blvd, Nemeiben Road and Waterbury Road)
- Speed display board

Traffic Calming Devices

- Speed Display Board
- Curb Extension
- Raised Median Island

3. Small Group Discussions

Residents were divided into small groups to discuss traffic concerns in Lakeridge and potential solutions

Group 1: Mariniel Flores (City Facilitator)

- Mostly in favour of Recommendation

Comments:

- Extend recommendation #1 to about 15m – 25m of parking restriction
- Consider a 3 way stop for recommendation #3
- Curb extension preferred for recommendation #4
- In addition to recommendation #5, add reflective yellow paint on edge
- For recommendation #16, traffic usually back up near Weyakwin Dr at about 7:30a.m. requires grade separation or traffic signal.

Other Comments:

- No more curvy streets (e.g Weyakwin Dr near Nemeiben road)
- Curb extensions are generally preferred to median islands
- Really like the replacement of yield signs to stop signs
- At Boychuk Dr & Kingsmere Blvd, rosewood is growing and Westbound left turns makes it difficult for eastbound right turns to find gaps. Enforcement needed.
- Taylor Street 7 Weyakwin Drive is very icy during winter months, requires sanding.
- Sanding is also required at most crescents during winter months. To be forwarded to maintenance group.

Group 2: Yang Li (City Facilitator)

- Recommendation mostly accepted

Comments:

- Recommendation #3 – need parking space for school loading and unloading
- Recommendation #4 and #5 – will it be too narrow for buses?
- Not in favour of recommendation #11 – too many island or curb extension on Nemeiben road

- Recommendation #16 – install 4 way stop or traffic signals
- Recommendation #17 and #18 – bad winter condition, island or curb will make road worse. Clear snow more often if going with this recommendation.

Other Comments:

- Change School zone hours to 24 hours
- Install signs to remind westbound left turning traffic on Rosewood Blvd and Slimmon road to stay on left
- Install no u-turn sign in school zones.

Group 3: Lanre Akindipe (City Facilitator)

- Mostly in favour of Recommendation

Comments:

- Speed boards should be positioned facing eastbound traffic on Nemeiben road.
- There is a lot of speeding on Emmeline road (between Lavalee road and Nemeiben road)
- Recommendation #17 & #18 should be moved further north
- Pedestrian safety concerns at Weyakwin Dr 7 Nemeiben Road
- Stop signs needed at Swan lane
- Stop signs needed at Brabant crescent / court / terrace.
- Curb extension is needed for recommendation #17
- Taylor Street & Weyakwin Drive is very dangerous

Other Comments:

- Speeding on Boychuk Drive should be addressed.
- Snow clearing during winter especially with the recommended curb extensions.

4. Next Steps

(Presented by Lanre Akindipe, City of Saskatoon)

1. Send comments no later than **December 17, 2016**
2. Additional public input via Shaping Saskatoon no later than **December 17, 2016**
<http://shapingsaskatoon.ca/discussions/lakeridge-neighbourhood-traffic-review>
3. Additional consultation if required
4. Present traffic plan to City Council for approval
5. What happens after City Council approval?
6. What if I don't agree?

5. Large Group Discussion – Questions & Answers

Comments

- Keep left turning traffic coming out of Rosewood to their lanes so they don't make it difficult for eastbound right turn traffic to make their movement.
- There should be a one way in front of schools on Emmeline road. Parents should be talked to use one way and make a right turn at Emmeline road and Lavalee road.

Question / Answer

Question: When will the interchange at Boychuk and Highway 16 be built? There is a need for two turning lanes from Hwy 16 to Boychuk

Answer: Interchange work starts in the spring of 2017. Consultant for the work should be hired soon.

Question: When will Zimmerman road be opened to Costco?

Answer: we will get back to you with this information. It will be posted on shaping Saskatoon discussion forum.

Follow-up answer - Zimmerman Road from Highway 16 to Market Drive is now open. However, the segment of Zimmerman Road from Market Drive / Rosewood Blvd. to Meadows Blvd. is currently closed. This closed section is expected to be opened in early to mid-December.

List of Representatives

- Mitch Riabko, Kathy Dahl – Great Works Consulting, Facilitators
- Lanre Akindipe – City of Saskatoon, Transportation & Utilities, Transportation Engineer
- Mariniel Flores – City of Saskatoon, Transportation & Utilities, Transportation Engineer
- Yang Li – City of Saskatoon, Transportation & Utilities, Transportation Engineer