

**Queen Elizabeth / Exhibition Neighbourhood
Traffic Review
Thursday, October 5, 2017, 7:00 – 9:00 P.M.
St. Frances Elementary School
2141 McPherson Avenue**

Facilitators:

- Mitch Riabko & Kathy Dahl (Great Works Consulting)

City of Saskatoon Representatives:

- Justine Marcoux (Transportation Engineer), Nathalie Baudais (Senior Transportation Engineer),
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Agenda

- Welcome & introductions
- Presentation from the Transportation Division
- Small group discussions
- Small group discussion – report back to large group
- Next Steps
- Question / Answers

Presentation from Transportation Division – Queen Elizabeth / Exhibition Neighbourhood Traffic Review
(Presented by Justine Marcoux - 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:

- Developed in August 2013 – changes to program
- 8 reviews per year – 2014 was the first year of reviews
- Address neighbourhood traffic issues on local and collector streets:
 - Speeding concerns
 - Short-cutting concerns
 - Pedestrian safety
 - Intersection safety

Study Area:

- Area bound by Taylor St (north), Clarence Ave (east), Ruth St (south), South Saskatchewan River (west)

How We Got Here:

- April 2017 – Initial meeting
- April to October – gather feedback, conduct traffic studies, collect data, develop traffic plan
- October 2017 – Follow-up meeting – display proposed traffic plan and gather feedback

What We Heard:

- Speeding / Short-cutting Concerns:
 - Lorne Ave
 - Taylor St

- Ruth St
- Adelaide St
- Eastlake Ave
- Herman Ave
- Ash St
- Lane north of Ash St
- Pedestrian Safety Concerns:
 - Lorne Ave & Taylor St
 - Taylor St
 - Adelaide St & Herman Ave
 - Eastlake Ave & Maple St
 - Ruth St
 - Herman Ave
 - Missing Sidewalks
 - Missing pedestrian ramps
- Intersection Safety Concerns:
 - Lorne Ave & Taylor St
 - Eastlake Ave & Hilliard St
 - Ruth St & St. George Ave
- Other Concerns:
 - Parking
 - Prairieland Events
 - Maintenance (ie. potholes, drainage, ice buildup, trees)
 - Major intersections

Lorne Ave & Ruth St – Update:

- Poles are installed
- Wiring to be completed over Thanksgiving weekend
- Mid-October to go in flashing red test phase (ie. 4-way stop)
- Fully-functioning thereafter
- Timing of signals will be monitored and adjusted accordingly
- Pedestrian ramps will be installed this fall or next spring

What We Did:

- Collected Data:
 - Past studies
 - Comments from initial meeting
 - Resident responses (phone calls, emails, letters)
 - Recorded comments from Shaping Saskatoon discussions
 - 11 Intersection / Pedestrian counts
 - 11 – 7 day traffic count (24 hour) & Average Speed measurements
 - Collision history
- Field Reviews
- Assessed the Issues
- Generated proposed recommendations

What We Propose:

- Median islands
- Curb extensions
- Standard & zebra crosswalks
- Speed enforcement
- Speed display board
- Parking restrictions

- All-way stops
- Sidewalks
- **Saskatoon Police Services: 306-975-8300 OR 306-975-8068 to report a traffic complaint or a concern.**

Small Group Discussions

- Breakout into small groups to discuss traffic concerns in Queen Elizabeth / Exhibition and potential solutions

Refer to separate attachments – *Table Discussions*.

Next Steps

1. Send comments no later than October 26, 2017
2. Additional public input via City on-line Community Engagement webpage no later than October 26, 2017

<http://shapingsaskatoon.ca/discussions>

3. Additional consultation if required
4. Present traffic plan to City Council for approval (Councillor, Community Association & Community Consultant will be notified. Traffic plan is posted online one week prior to Council meeting).
5. What if I don't agree?
 - Contact Councillor, write a letter to Council or request to speak at Council.
6. Implementation to begin Spring 2018 (signs & temporary traffic calming)

Q&A

Resident: How can I access the information in the final plan if I don't have a computer?

CofS: The Community Association is notified. They will have the information. We can also contact you directly and deliver the report.

Resident: What format will the Community Association receive it in?

CofS: Email notification.

Community Association Rep: We have a facebook page and website. Our newsletter is posted online.

Councillor Loewen: Thank-you for coming. Adding to next steps, typically when these Neighbourhood Traffic Reviews are presented at Council there's no opposition. So if you don't agree please let us know.