

July 26, 2011



City Council Committee Report

To: Mayor & Council

Fr: Richard Perchuk, Manager of Operations

Re: Amendment To Traffic Regulation By-law 127-2001– Rate of Speed - First Avenue South

Recommendation:

That the City of Kenora Traffic Regulation By-law 127-2001 be amended to include the following addition to Schedule T "Rate of Speed" from Mike Richard's Way to Seventh Street South.

Schedule "T" - Rate of Speed
40 Kilometres Per Hour Zone

Add:

Column 1 STREET	Column 2 LOCATION	Column 3 MAXIMUM SPEED
First Avenue South	From Mike Richard's Way to Seventh Street South	40 kilometres per hour

Background:

A resident living on First Avenue South approached the Operations Department with a concern for the safety of children in the vicinity due to the speed traveled by motorists along First Avenue South. The stretch of roadway from Mike Richard's Way to Seventh Street South is the main corridor in and out of Lakeside and is busy with motorists accessing the ice road in the winter and boat launch in the summer.

The O.P.P. were asked to provide comment and noted that although there was only one recorded motor vehicle collision reported there have been previous recorded complaints regarding traffic issues on First Avenue South. Their action plan includes monitoring the speed of traffic and the placement of a Digital Speed sign. They suggested that the city post speed signs along First Avenue South.

In addition to the follow up action to be taken by the O.P.P. I recommend that the speed limit of 50 kms per hour be reduced to 40 kms per hour from Mike Richard's Way to Seventh Street South.

A reduction of speed will require an amendment be made to Schedule "T" Rate of Speed of the Traffic Regulation By-Law No. 127-2001 as follows:

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Budget: 2011 Operating Budget

Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:

Resolution required.

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