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**TO:** GENERAL COMMITTEE

**SUBJECT:** SCHOOL SAFETY REVIEW – PICKETT CRESCENT

**WARD:** 8

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**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER APPROVAL:** M. PROWSE, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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**RECOMMENDED MOTION**

1. That Community Safety Zone (CSZ) By-law 2003-160, Schedule "A", be amended by adding the following:

Street	From	To	In Effect
Pickett Crescent	Leggott Avenue	Leggott Avenue	Anytime

2. That Rates of Speed By-law 2002-191, Schedule "A" Authorized Rates of Maximum Speed - 40 Kilometres Per Hour, be amended by adding the following:

Street	From	To
Pickett Crescent	Leggott Avenue	Leggott Avenue

**PURPOSE & BACKGROUND**

3. Staff in the Operations Department took part in the "On the Move" Walkabout which is an aspect of the School Travel Planning Process to review existing conditions of school grounds and surrounding area. This review monitors routes to/from the school and highlights any problem areas within the school catchment zone.
4. The Walkabout was performed January 14, 2020 with Simcoe Muskoka District Public Health Nurses, Simcoe County District School Board Staff, City of Barrie Staff, Willow Landing Elementary School teachers, and the Ward councilor. Staff identified a pedestrian walkway from Pickett Crescent to Willow Landing Elementary School and that there was no Community Safety Zone and reduced 40km/h speed limit along Pickett Crescent.
5. Staff were to investigate the feasibility of implementing a Community Safety Zone and reduced 40km/h speed limit along Pickett Crescent to incorporate the pedestrian walkway which provides a direct connection to Willow Landing Elementary School. Please refer to Appendix "A".

## **ANALYSIS**

6. Staff reviewed the pedestrian walkway along Pickett Crescent which provides access to Willow Landing Elementary School and determined a Community Safety Zone with a reduced 40 km/h speed limit could be implemented under the current council approved policy. The Community Safety Zone, and reduced posted speed limit are to be implemented 250 meters on either side of all elementary schools which have direct access to the roadway.
7. Staff recommend that Community Safety Zone (CSZ) By-Law 2003-160, Schedule "A", be amended by adding the following:

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8. Staff recommend that the Rates of Speed By-Law 2002-191, Schedule "A" Authorized Rates of Maximum Speed - 40 Kilometres Per Hour, be amended by adding the following:

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9. Barrie Police Service, Barrie Fire and Emergency Service and Municipal Law Enforcement staff do not oppose the recommended motion.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACT MATTERS**

10. There are no environmental and/or climate change impact matters related to the recommendation.

## **ALTERNATIVES**

11. There is one (1) alternative available for consideration by General Committee:

**Alternative 1** General Committee could decide not to implement a Community Safety Zone and reduced 40 km/h speed zone along Pickett Crescent.

This alternative is not recommended as there is a pedestrian walkway which provides a direct connection from Pickett Crescent to Willow Landing Elementary School and based on the current council adopted policy all roadways which provide a direct connection to an elementary school shall have a Community Safety Zone and reduced 40km/h speed limit.

## **FINANCIAL**

12. The cost of implementing the proposed Community Safety Zone and reduced 40km/h speed limit zones along Pickett Crescent is approximately \$1,000, which can be accommodated in the 2020 Business Plan.

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**LINKAGE TO 2018-2022 STRATEGIC PLAN**

13. The recommendation included in this Staff Report support the following goals identified in the 2018-2022 Strategic Plan:
  - a) Improving the ability to get around Barrie.
14. The recommended motion will improve the operation and safety of Pickett Crescent for both pedestrian and motorists by implementing a Community Safety Zone and reduced 40km/h speed limit zone in accordance with council policy.

APPENDIX "A"

