

BYLAW 20428 - Semi-Annual Amendments to Speed Zones Bylaw 6894 Amendment No. 71 to Bylaw 6894

RECOMMENDATION

That Urban Planning Committee recommend to City Council:

That Bylaw 20428 be given the appropriate readings.

Purpose

To amend Bylaw 6894 - Speed Zones Bylaw to include speed limit adjustments, deletions and additions to account for new roadways and design changes for existing roads as part of regular required updates to Edmonton's transportation network.

Readings

Bylaw 20428 is ready for three readings.

A majority vote of City Council on all three readings is required for passage.

If Council wishes to give three readings during a single meeting, then prior to moving to third reading, Council must unanimously agree that, "Bylaw 20428 be considered for third reading."

Position of Administration

Administration supports this Bylaw.

Report Summary

Bylaw 20428 amends Bylaw 6894 - Speed Zones Bylaw by making minor amendments to speed limits within the City of Edmonton.

REPORT

Bylaw 20428 amends Bylaw 6894 to include minor adjustments and changes to speed limits in various locations throughout Edmonton. Setting appropriate speed limits is critical to supporting

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the Safe Mobility Strategy's goal of achieving Vision Zero through safe and livable streets in Edmonton. Administration routinely reviews speed limits and speed sign locations within the City

of Edmonton boundaries to reflect changes in the mobility network. This includes new road design and construction, and alignment with safety priorities such as playground zones.

Costs for sign modifications are considered nominal and are accounted for within the operating budget; therefore, no additional budget is required for these updates.

The bylaw includes the following amendments which address speed limit changes and an incorrect street spelling:

- 83 Street (76 Street - Argyll Road)
 - Speed change from 60 km/h to 50 km/h following the Valley Line LRT construction
- Cavanagh Drive (Craig Vista SW - Checknita Terrace SW)
 - 30 km/h speed limit at the new Cavanagh Park Playground
- 16 Avenue and 15 Street
 - 30 km/h speed limit at the new Aster Playground
- 28 Avenue SW (Chappelle Boulevard SW - 141 Street SW)
 - Correction to spelling of 'Chappelle'
- Ellerslie Road (170 Street SW - 184 Street SW)
 - No change to the speed limit, just an update to Schedule "D"
- 100 Avenue (117 Street - 121 Street) and 121 Street (100 Avenue - Jasper Avenue)
 - No change to the speed limit, just an update to Schedule "B"

The City of Edmonton uses Government of Alberta Guidelines to identify and implement appropriate locations for playground zones, which include a 30 km/h speed limit on local and collector roads adjacent to elementary and junior high schools, and other standalone playgrounds. Through the development of the two playground areas, Administration will ensure safety of all road users and a consistent application of the playground zones throughout the City.

All proposed changes outlined in this report meet current City design standards for speed management and previous City Council direction. Attachment 1 contains a complete copy of the amending bylaw and updated speed zone schedules, which outline all roadway speed limits that differ from the default speed limit of 40 km/h. Attachment 2 outlines proposed amendments to the current speed zone schedules, showing additions and changes in a different color.

COMMUNITY INSIGHTS

Bylaw 20428 includes amendments to speed limits to reflect changes on the road network and public consultation is not required as part of this regular update.

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Legal Implications

Pursuant to the Traffic Safety Act, Council may, by bylaw, establish speed limits for highways under the direction, control and management of the City.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Bylaw 20428 - Speed Zones Bylaw, Amendment No. 71
2. Proposed Amendments

OTHERS REVIEWING THIS REPORT

- M. Plouffe, City Solicitor