

The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

To: Mayor and Members of Council

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Department: Public Works

Date of Report: November 14, 2019

Report Number: PW-36-19

Subject: Traffic Calming Policy – October 2019

Recommendation

That the report of the Director of Public Works dated November 14, 2019 (PW-36-19) regarding the Traffic Calming Policy – October 2019, BE RECEIVED and that Council APPROVE the adoption of this policy as presented.

Report

As part of the larger Transportation and Active Transportation Master Plan (T/ATMP) currently underway, the Town engaged the services of WSP to complete the development of a Traffic Calming Policy (TCP). The subject of this report is for Council to receive and approve the Traffic Calming Policy and for administration to begin utilizing the policy in evaluating and implementation of traffic calming measures going forward.

While this policy was originally intended to be part of the larger T/ATMP, the decision to pull it out and bring it to Council for approval and adoption was so that implementation can occur immediately instead of this policy being held back and caught within the Environmental Assessment process of the T/ATMP.

The policy (copy enclosed) first looked at what similar and neighboring municipalities are doing relative to a TCP. This was done so that whatever was put forward for LaSalle would be relatively consistent with others.

The TCP gives a detailed process which provides for the following;

- how the process can be initiated
- how the Town will progress through the process
- how and what data will be collected

- how the request will be evaluated
- how the measures will be implemented and communicated with the neighborhood
- and, for a process to evaluate the effectiveness of the measures

This will give the Town tools to effectively, objectively and fairly evaluate each case as they are brought forward through a formal request.

The process will not be a cookie cutter process and will require time to engage the neighborhood, collect relative background data and evaluate the data, and if necessary, develop a solution.

One of the key important steps is post implementation evaluation. This evaluation will be conducted two to four years after any traffic calming measures have been implemented. This will give the Town important feedback on the effectiveness of traffic calming measures pre and post implementation. This will also help the Town identify the effectiveness of various measures.

It is recommended that Council approve the adoption of this policy as presented and enclosed.

Consultations

As noted, this Traffic Calming Policy was part of the larger T/ATMP and as part of the larger master plan project there were public information centre's (PIC). The TCP was on display to gather public feedback during the March 7, 2019 PIC. Feedback received at that PIC was utilized in the development and finalization of the current policy.

Furthermore, the Public Works department met with the LaSalle Police Services to review the current policy and the Police department is prepared to work with the current policy to address traffic concerns where applicable.

Moreover, the policy in itself has a couple points of public consultation through the process.

Financial Implications

Preparation and completion of this policy was budgeted for in the 2019 budget. The process and implementation of measures will form part of future years budget.

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Link to Strategic Priorities

	Expanding and diversifying our assessment base
yes	Effectively communicating the activities and interests of the Town
yes	Managing our human and financial resources in a responsible manner
	Promoting and marketing LaSalle
yes	Promote a healthy and environmentally conscious community

Communications

yes	Not applicable
	Website
	Social Media
	News Release
	Local Newspaper
	Bids & Tenders
	Notification pursuant to the Planning Act

Notifications

Name	Address	Email

Report Approval Details

Document Title:	PW-36-19 traffic calming policy.docx
Attachments:	- LaSalleTMP_Traffic_Calming_Policy_v.2.0.pdf
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Chief Administrative Officer

Joe Milicia