

January 30, 2017

To: His Worship the Mayor
And Members of City Council

Re: Amendments to the Regina Traffic Bylaw, 1997, No. 9900

RECOMMENDATION

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE
COMMITTEE – JANUARY 12, 2017**

1. That City Council approve the following amendments to *The Regina Traffic Bylaw, 1997, No. 9900* (Traffic Bylaw);
 - a. Replace Schedule B of the Traffic Bylaw with the proposed Figure 2 (Appendix A).
 - b. Revise the table for maximum allowable weights on bridges in Section 73 (Appendix B).
 - c. Reduce speed limits in Section 10 from 100 km/hr to 70 km/hr on Albert Street from 200 meters south of the north city limits (Appendix C).
2. That the City Solicitor be instructed to amend the Traffic Bylaw to reflect the changes proposed in this report.

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The Committee adopted a resolution to concur in the recommendation contained in the report. Recommendation #3 does not require City Council approval.

Councillors: Sharron Bryce (Chairperson), Lori Bresciani, John Findura, Jason Mancinelli and Barbara Young were present during consideration of this report by the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee.

The Public Works and Infrastructure Committee, at its meeting held on January 12, 2017, considered the following report from the Administration:

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1. That City Council approve the following amendments to *The Regina Traffic Bylaw, 1997, No. 9900* (Traffic Bylaw);
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- b. Revise the table for maximum allowable weights on bridges in Section 73 (Appendix B).
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CONCLUSION

Periodic amendments to the Traffic Bylaw are required as the City grows and traffic patterns change.

The proposed changes to the Traffic Bylaw recommended in this report are as follows:

- To allow heavy vehicle access to the City's new Hauled Wastewater Station;
- to restrict the weight of vehicles on the Pinkie Road Bridge, due to the condition of this structure and safety concerns; and
- to reduce the speed limit on Albert Street to align with the speed limit changes proposed by the Ministry of Highways (Ministry) for the portion of Highway #6 immediately north of the City limits, as a result of the Ministry's decision to install traffic signals on Highway #6 Industrial Drive and Armour Road.

The Traffic Bylaw Working Group, which critically reviews all sections of the Traffic Bylaw, supports the proposed changes.

BACKGROUND

The Traffic Bylaw Working group consists of representatives from the Regina Police Service, Office of the City Solicitor, Fire & Protective Services, Bylaw Enforcement Branch, Parking Services Branch and Traffic Engineering Branch. It reviews the Traffic Bylaw and submits any recommended bylaw amendments for consideration and adoption to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI) and ultimately City Council.

DISCUSSION

The Traffic Bylaw Working Group considered three amendments to the Traffic Bylaw on May 12, 2016. The first amendment would add a portion of Condie Road north of Dewdney Avenue to the City of Regina's (City) new Hauled Wastewater Station as a Heavy or Long Combination Vehicle Route. The new facility will require heavy vehicle access and the City reconstructed Condie Road to support the heavy vehicles that will use the facility.

The proposed Traffic Bylaw amendment proposal is as follows (see Appendix A for further details):

- Schedule B – Heavy or long Combination Vehicle Routes & Areas – Proposed amendment adds a portion of Condie Road north of Dewdney Avenue to the Heavy or Long Combination routes, to facilitate heavy vehicle access to the City’s new Hauled Wastewater Station.

“*Part VII Restricted Vehicles - Section 73*” addresses overweight vehicles. Within Section 73, there is a table titled “Maximum Allowable Weights in Tonnes For Bridges Over Wascana Creek”. In this table, Pinkie Road Bridge is referenced with allowable weights of 10 tonnes for a single axle and 14 tonnes for a tandem. As a result of an engineering analysis of the Pinkie Road Bridge, it was determined that the Structural load carrying condition should be reduced for public safety and it is recommended that the maximum allowable weight should be 5 tonnes for both single axle and tandem.

The second proposed Traffic Bylaw amendment to support this change is as follows (see Appendix B for further details):

- “Maximum Allowable Weights In Tonnes For Bridges Over Wascana Creek” table – Proposed amendments replace the current 10 tonnes for single axle and 14 tonnes for tandem for Pinkie Bridge with 5 tonnes for a single axle and 5 tonnes for a tandem.

The third proposed amendment proposal for speed limit change on Albert Street, is to align with the speed limit changes proposed by the Ministry, as a result of the Ministry’s decision to install traffic lights on Highway #6 at Industrial Drive and Armour Road (see Appendix C for further details).

RECOMMENDATION IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

None with respect to this report.

Environmental Implications

None with respect to this report.

Policy and/or Strategic Implications

The changes to Schedule B will support usage of the City’s new Hauled Wastewater Station.

Other Implications

The changes to Section 73 will limit the weight and type of trucks on Pinkie Road, which should reduce the overall number of trucks using this route and potentially move these trucks to other roads more suited for them.

The speed limit changes on Albert Street will align with speed limit changes the Ministry proposes for the portion of Highway #6 immediately north of the City Limits.

Accessibility Implications

None with respect to this report.

COMMUNICATIONS

None with respect to this report.

DELEGATED AUTHORITY

The recommendation contained in this report require City Council approval.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

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