

Memo

To: Members of Council

From: Mayor Letham

Date: September 12th, 2017

Subject: Speed Review on North Bay Drive

Background:

At the August 22nd council meeting, report ENG2017-013 was brought forward with recommendations for various changes to by-laws regarding speed reductions on several roads. North Bay Drive reduction was one of the recommendations and it was extracted and forwarded to the September 12th council meeting for consideration. The rationale was on September 2nd, the North Bay Association held a meeting to further discuss the issue of speed reduction on this road. A petition was received several months ago triggering the review. The review shows that a reduction is warranted and attached to this memo is the petition and the original report regarding North Bay Drive. This issue has triggered some animosity amongst the residents, some being seasonal and some residing there all year round.

This memo is being brought forward as councillor Yeo and myself attended the association meeting and said we would bring forward their issues and concerns for council to consider when deciding whether to lower the speed limit to 40 km/hour on the lakeshore portion or leave it at 50km/hour for the entire road. This has become a contentious issue which has unfortunately divided the community somewhat. Some want it left alone, others wish it reduced. A short survey for residents was handed out at the association meeting. As of the writing of this memo, 46 responses were received. 27 responses favoured reducing the speed and 19 did not. No decision made by this council will be agreeable to all. It should be noted that a lot of the folks on this road have their residences across the road from the waterfront and their docks. This creates a lot of cross road pedestrian traffic in the summer season.

I have attached the previous report from staff to this memo.

Recommendation to Council:

RESOLVED THAT the memo dated September 12th, titled **Speed Review on North Bay Drive**, be received,

THAT the speed limit of North Bay Drive from a point 1200m south of CKL Rd 48 to the west end be posted at 40 km/hour;

THAT the necessary by-laws for the above recommendations be forwarded to Council for adoption; and

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute any documents and agreements required by the approval of this application/agreement/decision.