

## Report to Council

<b>Report Title:</b>	Thomas and Ridout Street Speeding Public Comments		
<b>Prepared By:</b>	John Strader, Roads Supervisor		
<b>Department:</b>	Public Works		
<b>Date:</b>	March 26, 2019		
<b>Report Number:</b>	PW2019-21	<b>File Number:</b>	C11PW
<b>Attachments:</b>	Letters from Residents Ridout Thomas Excel Speed Enforcement Evaluator		

### **Recommendation:**

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number PW2019- 21-Thomas and Ridout Street Speeding Public Comments, prepared by John Strader, Roads Supervisor and in doing so approves the speed limit on Thomas Street and Ridout Street remain at 50 KPH; and further a letter be forwarded to the OPP and PSB regarding speeding concerns on these streets; and further directs staff to continue to evaluate speeding issues throughout Brockton.

### **Report:**

#### **Background:**

In the March 2019 edition of the Brockton Buzz Newsletter, public comments were welcomed from residents regarding an identified issue of speeding on Thomas Street and Ridout Street. Attached are letters from residents for review.

#### **Analysis:**

Letters from residents suggest that decreasing the current 50 KPH to 40 KPH will not be effective and is not the solution to the problem. An increase in stop signs along the two streets was a suggestion made however as per the Ontario Traffic Manual, stop signs are not intended to be used as speed control devices. Their usage should be limited to the control of right-of-way conflicts.

Staff recommends that Ridout Street and Thomas Street remain as a 50 KPH. A review of enforcement options with the OPP may be necessary to develop a plan to reduce speeding within Brockton. Staff also recommends the continued use of speed radars throughout the streets of Brockton to identify potential speeding enforcement issues, and encourages the use of the digital radar purchased as well as the Black Cat Radar.

The Black Cat Radar purchased by the Police Services Board was installed on Ridout Street on March 21, 2019 and removed on April 11, 2019. Ridout Street is a high volume street, with a total of 8860 vehicles travelling this street from March 21 to March 29, 2019. The attached reports suggest that 30.9% of vehicles travelling on that road in the timeframe of March 21 to March 29, 2019 were going above 52 KPH, with 9 vehicles documented travelling at a speed of 80+ KPH, the average daily speed was between 49 KPH and 51 KPH.

### **Sustainability Checklist:**

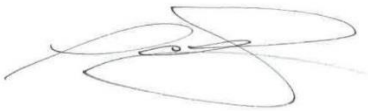
What aspect of the Brockton Sustainable Strategic Plan does the content/recommendations in this report help advance?

- Do the recommendations help move the Municipality closer to its Vision? Yes
- Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Cultural Vibrancy? Yes
- Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Economic Prosperity? Yes
- Do the recommendations contribute to Environmental Integrity? Yes
- Do the recommendations contribute to the Social Equity? Yes

### **Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:**

- Do the recommendations represent a sound financial investment from a sustainability perspective?  
N/A

**Reviewed By:**



**Chief Financial Officer**

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**Respectfully Submitted by:**



John Strader, Roads Supervisor

**Reviewed By:**



**Chief Administrative Officer**