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REPLY TO: Traffic Management Division
ATTENTION: Kristen Tiede, P.Eng

Dear Resident :

Re: School Zone Awareness Pilot Program Follow-up - Clayton Elementary School

Under the umbrella of our Safe and Active Schools Program, over the last few months, the City has been piloting a range of engineering safety measures at a number of schools across Surrey with a focus on those located on arterial roads. These measures include special pavement markings or flashing beacons and this pilot is intended to help us develop the most effective improvements for implementation across the City.

At Clayton Elementary School, flashing beacons at the beginning of the school zone, were installed with the beacons flashing between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. when children would be on or near the road.

To help us identify the most effective measures, we have been undertaking speed studies to objectively assess the different treatments. In addition to this, as part of our review, we would very much appreciate your feedback and comments on how effective you feel the flashing beacons have been. Your opinion is very important to help us improve as we move forward to the second phase of the pilot program.

There are two broad areas we are seeking comments on:

1. Effectiveness

We would like to hear your comments on how effective you feel the flashing beacons in your school community have been. For example:

- What reductions in speed or changes in driving behaviors have you seen during the peak drop-off and pick-up hours?
- Have you observed any impacts on the non-peak school hours?
- Have you seen the flashing beacons have a lasting impact or were it just the first few days or weeks?
- Any other observations or comments?

2. Suggestions for improvements:

We also would like to hear your suggestions on improving the program. For example:

- Are the signs and flashing beacons visible?
- Do you think drivers can read and understand the meaning of the signs?
- Do you have any suggestions for improving the program roll out and information provided to the school community?
- Any other observations or comments?

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your assistance in providing this valuable input to our pilot. Your feedback and suggestions will be central in helping us develop the best program for many other schools in Surrey.

Please submit your feedback to traffic@surrey.ca by June 27, 2018 but if in the meantime you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Kenneth Lee at (604) 598-7910.

Yours truly,



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