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Neighborhood Speed and Traffic Calming Changes

Dear Resident,

The City is writing you to inform you of some upcoming changes to Greenwood Drive, Dafoe Street, Greenwood Court, Greenwood Place, Laird Place, and Dafoe Place.

Over the past few years the City has received numerous requests for traffic calming, sidewalks, and complaints regarding speeding in Greenwood Drive and Dafoe Street area. The City, with the help of a Traffic Consultant, has spent the last few months collecting data and reviewing the local road conditions and future growth in the area. We identified changes to improve the overall safety for all residents and users of the neighborhood streets to address the current conditions as well as future issues that may arise due to continued development in the area.

The City will be making the following changes in a phased approach based on our Consultants recommendations.

Phase 1 - 2021: Speed reduction to 30km/hr on Greenwood Drive, Dafoe Street, Greenwood Court, Greenwood Place, Laird Place, and Dafoe Place.

Currently pedestrians, cyclists and motorists share the road on Greenwood Drive and Dafoe Street. The roads have a narrow cross section, hidden driveways, and the boulevards are well developed with landscaping and parking areas which limit space in the right of way especially for pedestrians. The lower corner of Greenwood Drive also has poor sightlines and a tight radius.

Given these conditions the City will be reducing the posted speed limit from 50km/hr to 30km/hr. Additionally the 30km/hr advisory speed for the lower corner of Greenwood Drive will be changed to 20km/hr. These changes will happen as soon as the City is able to install the new signage.

Phase 2 - 2022: Divert downhill traffic off of Greenwood Drive at Dartmouth Drive or Dafoe Street to Pineview Road.

After reviewing the future development build out of the upper Wiltse area the city has identified concerns that Greenwood Drive and Dafoe Street will see increased traffic from these developments. Greenwood Drive and Dafoe Street are local roads and are reaching their upper limit for daily volume of traffic based on its current road designation and narrow cross sections.

The City is proposing a traffic diverter island which will direct all downhill traffic to Pineview Road and the proposed upgraded intersection at South Main Street. The traffic diversion will either take place at Dartmouth Drive or Dafoe Street. This will focus traffic to Pineview Road which the main collector road in the neighborhood. The City will hold consultation sessions regarding this change in conjunction with the



information sessions for the South Main Street and Pineview Road intersection upgrades. This is scheduled for later in 2021.

The traffic diverter change will happen in conjunction with the upgrades at Pineview Road and South Main Street in 2022 pending budget approval. The traffic consultant does not recommended the changes happen prior to the upgrades occurring at South Main Street and Pineview Road.

Phase 3 2023 to 2025: Sidewalk Installation

The traffic consultant has recommended that the City re-prioritize the sidewalk installation for Greenwood Drive and Dafoe Street to a high priority and complete it as soon as budget is available to do so. The City will begin a consultation process for the sidewalk design in 2022 with the intention to include it in the 5 year budget.

Should you have any further questions or concerns please contact the undersigned.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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