

Attachment-3 Accessibility Advisory Committee Motions and Traffic Calming

The following list summarizes the dates, minutes, and motions issued by the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) related to traffic calming, beginning in June 2016 and including the most recent motion from January 2026.

Meeting: June 2017

[Minutes of June 2017 AAC meeting.](#)

Motion: Traffic Investigations is looking to put together a *toolbox* of appropriate traffic calming measures to go forward to council. From this *toolbox* the City can pick items where they seem appropriate. The committee has provided approval of the different measures along with comments:

Chicane - Committee supports the use of chicanes, however, ensure that there are no visual barriers as a hazard.

Curb Extension - Committee supports the use of curb extensions

Curb Radius Reduction - Committee supports the use of curb radius reductions but wanted to note a concern surrounding snow collection

Intersection Channelization (right turn lane) - City staff note that this would be put in only in a rare instance. Committee not in support of intersection channelization

On-street Parking - City staff note that this would be road characteristic specific. Committee supports the use of on-street parking

Raised Crosswalk - Concerns have been heard about individuals with vision impairments missing the tactile warning surface indicators. Committee unsure of this an option and has elected to investigate further

Raised Median Island - Committee not in support of raised median islands

Right in/Right out Island - Committee supports the use of right in/right out island

Road Diet - Committee supports the use of road diets

Roundabouts - Committee not in support of roundabout use

Pedestrian Refuge Island - Committee not in support of pedestrian refuge island use

Signage and Pavement Markings - Committee supports the use of signage and pavement markings

Speed Hump - Committee not in support of speed humps

Speed Cushion - Committee not in support of speed cushion use

Speed Kidney - Committee unsure of this as an option and has elected to investigate further

Textured Crosswalks - Committee not in support of textured crosswalk use

Traffic Circle - Committee not in support of traffic circle use

Meeting: June 2018

[Minutes of June 2018 AAC meeting.](#)

Motion: The AAC allow staff to use the portable speed cushions in the interest of public safety but limit them to one installation per block face and to take care in planning the location so that a vehicle can travel to any driveway without travelling over a speed cushions. Further, that there will be notification to the AAC and Transit Mobility in advance of the use of speed cushions.

Meeting: June 2019

[Minutes of June 2019 AAC meeting.](#)

Motion: The AAC recommend that speed cushions or any vertical traffic calming measure not be used on Downey Road. Speed cushions and similar traffic calming measure create a barrier for some people with a disability and those who are or have recovered from serious injuries. The committee feel that other traffic calming measures have not been implemented such as monitoring and ticketing speeders, and dynamic signs. Further, proper signage that marks the threshold of the City limit as people enter the City, for example the signs on Silvercreek Parkway north of Woodlawn. These signs are clear regarding the City limits and obviously note the speed limit expectations. Police enforcement has also slowed traffic in that location. These measures and others such as structures/signage in the line of sight adjacent to the street send a message that a driver is entering a community.

Meeting: December 2020

[Minutes of December 2020 AAC meeting.](#)

Motion: AAC members were given the *Have Your Say* survey information and link to submit their comments (regarding Niska Road traffic calming). Accessibility Services does not have access to survey results.

Meeting: October 2022

[Minutes of October 2022 AAC meeting.](#)

Motion: Complete Streets Design Guide – Proposed Pedestrian and Cyclist Crossing. That the AAC support the intersection crossing design presented on October 17 and that the AAC recommends ensuring a smooth transition where the ramp is imposed and that staff receive feedback from CNIB on the design and provide it to the AAC. Carried

Meeting: January 2026

[Minutes of January 2026 AAC meeting.](#)

Motion: Updated Traffic Calming Policy

First Motion

Moved by Member Radmond

Seconded by Member Martin

1. That the AAC receives the presentation on the Traffic Calming Policy (TCP) Update.
2. That the AAC endorse the following recommendations to the TCP as proposed by Engineering and Transportation Services (ETS):

- i. Recommendation #1: TCP will incorporate the most effective traffic calming measures for reducing vehicles speeds which may include the use and recommended spacing of raised crossings and speed cushions.
- ii. Recommendation #2: TCP will be evidence-informed and data-driven by prioritizing the proactive installation of traffic calming measures in Community Safety Zones.
- iii. Recommendation #3: TCP will prioritize addressing streets with the highest risk of collision-related injuries over a first-come first-serve approach.
- iv. Recommendation #4: TCP will add new traffic calming measures to align with the City's Complete Street Design Guidelines, the latest traffic calming approaches, and incorporate measures which encourage active transportation.

Carried.

Second Motion

Moved by Member Radmond

Seconded by Member Harper

1. That the Accessibility Advisory Committee provide the following comments as it relates to the recommendations to the TCP for staff's consideration:
 - i. TCP will consider a greater focus on horizontal measures such as road narrowing
 - ii. Vertical measures such as speed cushions should not be the default solution to traffic calming in the TCP
 - iii. TCP will consider pedestrian measures such as tactile walking indicators and contrasting lines and follow Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) guidelines
 - iv. TCP emphasize winter maintenance of pedestrian measures
 - v. TCP allow for measures that clarify cyclist, pedestrian, and driver prioritization

Carried.

Third Motion

Moved by Member Harper

Seconded by Member Radmond

1. That the Accessibility Advisory Committee recommend that staff request returning to the AAC as part of their TCP review in 2028.