Monday, March 18, 2024, 9:30 a.m. Council Chamber

Members of the Committee:

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Land Acknowledgment

The City of Oshawa is situated on lands within the traditional and treaty territory of the Michi Saagiig and Chippewa Anishinaabeg and the signatories of the Williams Treaties, which include the Mississaugas of Scugog Island, Curve Lake, Hiawatha and Alderville First Nations, and the Chippewas of Georgina Island, Rama and Beausoleil First Nations. We are grateful for the Anishinaabeg who have cared for the land and waters within this territory since time immemorial.

We recognize that Oshawa is steeped in rich Indigenous history and is now present day home to many First Nations, Inuit and Métis people. We express gratitude for this diverse group of Indigenous Peoples who continue to care for the land and shape and strengthen our community.

As a municipality, we are committed to understanding the truth of our shared history,

acknowledging our role in addressing the negative impacts that colonization continues to have on Indigenous Peoples, developing reciprocal relationships, and taking meaningful action toward reconciliation.

We are all Treaty people.

Additional Agenda Items

(As may be presented at the meeting)

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

(As may be presented by Council Members)

Presentations

None

Delegations

Kinsmen Civic Memorial Stadium

Jayson DesLauriers to provide a delegation to the Community and Operations Services Committee concerning correspondence Item CO-24-17 regarding an agreement for the Kinsmen Civic Memorial Stadium.

Referrals from Council

None

Reports from Advisory Committees

CO-24-12 - Volt Hockey Recreation Program (Previously OAAC-24-07) (All Wards)

Recommendation

That the City investigate starting a recreation program for Volt Hockey, a newly adopted sport for the disability community, played on a city gym or court using specially designed hockey sport chairs, played as a three vs. three game with chairs that are battery operated and controlled with a joystick.

Items Requiring Direction

CO-24-17 - Jayson Deslauriers submitting correspondence to make a delegation regarding an agreement at Kinsmen Civic Memorial Stadium Agreement (Ward 4)

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CO-24-13 - Installing Solar Lights on Conlin Road East to Accommodate Safer Bus Stops (Ward 1)

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Recommendation

Whereas at its meeting of January 29, 2024 Council adopted the following recommendation contained in CNCL-24-08 concerning the installation of solar lights on Conlin Road East to accommodate safer bus stops:

"Whereas the road, traffic and pedestrian conditions on Conlin Road East have been growing increasingly problematic; and,

Whereas both Oshawa and Region staff are working on the design and funding for the infrastructure needed to complete the urban landscape along Conlin Road East; and,

Whereas the lack of safe accessible bus stops, lighting, turn lanes, and a four lane road necessary to accommodate the heavy traffic, combined present serious safety issues; and,

Now therefore staff investigate the feasibility of installing solar lights (similar to the one installed at Winchester Road East and Given Road in Oshawa) in conjunction with Durham Region Transit and the Region of Durham on Conlin Road East to accommodate safer bus stops"; and,

Whereas off-grid solar powered streetlights are not necessary along Conlin Road East as there is electric power available for streetlighting from the existing Oshawa Power hydro poles along the road between Ritson Road North and Townline Road North; and,

Whereas installing streetlighting powered by the existing electrical supply is more cost-efficient and reliable than off-grid solar powered streetlights; and,

Whereas based on staff-review of all seven (7) existing Durham Region Transit bus stop locations on Conlin Road East between Ritson Road North and Townline Road North, all but one of the existing seven (7) Durham Region Transit bus stop locations has existing streetlighting in the vicinity of the bus stop; and,

Whereas Durham Region Transit has recently relocated the existing westbound bus stop at Conlin Road East and Verne Bowen Street/Riverton Street closer to the intersection to improve safety; and,

Whereas in order to assist Durham Region Transit, City staff have replaced the existing streetlights at the intersection of Conlin Road East and Verne Bowen Street/Riverton Street to improve safety and visibility at the recently relocated bus stop on the north side

of Conlin Road East and the existing bus stop on the south side of Conlin Road East; and,

Whereas the new westbound bus stop at Conlin Road East and Coppermine Street has no existing streetlighting, and staff have recently investigated installing new streetlighting powered from the existing Oshawa Power electrical supply on the south side of Conlin Road East to improve the safety and visibility of this bus stop; and,

Whereas City staff received approval from Oshawa Power to install additional streetlighting to their pole on the south side of Conlin Road East at Coppermine Street; and,

Whereas the City's streetlighting contractor has completed the installation of additional streetlighting on the Oshawa Power hydro pole on the south side of Conlin Road East at Coppermine Street; and

Whereas City staff can confirm that, based on post-installation analysis, adequate illumination is now being provided to the new bus stop on north side of Conlin Road East at Coppermine Street from the Oshawa Power hydro pole on the south side of Conlin Road East:

Therefore, be it resolved that item CO-24-13 concerning the installation of solar lights on Conlin Road East to accommodate safer bus stops be received for information.

CO-24-14 - Selection of the 2024 Oshawa Community Legend Award Recipient (All Wards)

Confidential Attachment 2 Closed Pursuant to Section 239 (2)(b) of the Municipal Act

(Also See pages C1 - C8)

Recommendation

That pursuant to Report CO-24-14 dated March 13, 2024, concerning the selection of the 2024 Oshawa Community Legend Award recipient:

- 1. That the Community and Operations Services Committee select the 2024 Oshawa Community Legend Award recipient from the nominations presented in Confidential Attachment 2 to this Report; and
- 2. That the 2024 Oshawa Community Legend Award be presented to the selected recipient at a future meeting of Council.

CO-24-15 - Use of Speed Cushions on Rural Roads (Ward 1)

Recommendation

That the Community and Operations Services Committee recommend to City Council:

 That pursuant to Report CO-24-15, dated March 13, 2024 and in accordance with the Neighbourhood Traffic Management Guide (N.T.M.G.) and the Institute of Transportation Engineers (I.T.E.), staff 11

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- consider implementing pavement markings and/or signage where appropriate along Columbus Road West; and,
- 2. That staff continue to work with Durham Regional Police Service and request additional speed enforcement along Columbus Road West; and,
- 3. That following the Council approved process, staff consider installing Radar Message Boards along Columbus Road West.

CO-24-16 - Community and Operations Services Committee Outstanding Items Status Report - First Quarter 2024 (All Wards)

Recommendation

That Report CO-24-16 dated March 13, 2024 being the Community and Operations Services Committee Outstanding Item Status Report for the first quarter of 2024 be received for information.

Public Discussion Agenda

Matters Excluded from the Consent Agenda

Items Introduced by Council Members

Items Pulled from the Information Package

None

Closed Consent Agenda

Closed Correspondence with recommendations

None

Closed Staff Reports/Motions with recommendations

None

Closed Discussion Agenda

Matters Excluded from the Consent Agenda

Items Requiring Direction

Matters Tabled

Item CO-23-11 - Memorials, Recognizing Unmarked Graves

Report CO-23-11 concerning Memorials, Recognizing Unmarked Graves. (Tabled April 24, 2023)

<u>Adjournment</u>

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CO-24-17

To Whom It May Concern;

I am following up on my online submission for a Delegation Request. I filled out the appropriate link found here: https://forms.oshawa.ca/Corporate-Services/City-Clerk-Services/Delegation-Request-Form

But to this day, I have not heard back regarding its process. The submission was made on 2024.02.14.

I will add the info here in hopes that this can be checked and followed up on:

First Name: Jayson Last Name: DesLauriers

Telephone: <M.F.I.P.P.A.(Sec 14(1)> Email: <M.F.I.P.P.A.(Sec 14(1)>

Addressing: Community and Operations Services Committee

Appear before Standing Committee: No

Overview:

To discuss renewing the previous agreement or creating a new agreement between the City of Oshawa and Oshawa Legion Minor Baseball (OLMBA) aka Baseball Oshawa in regards to Kinsmen Civic Memorial Stadium and the "first right to refusal" on the hours and use. Previously this has been a 5 year term agreement and we would like to maintain that at the least or possibly suggest a greater time line of 10 years. As the past Vice President (10 years) and current Elite Director (3 years) with OLMBA, it has been placed in my purview from the Association, to discuss these matters with the City of Oshawa. The previous agreements have served both parties very well with the care, upkeep, and functionality of the stadium. A sense of pride for the players, coaches, and residents of Oshawa as the home of the Legionaires. From our chore lists for upkeep to the scoreboard we partnered on and all the equipment provided by OLMBA, Kinsmen is a jewel of this province and country in the baseball community and loved by all who attend. Our relationship with the maintenance staff and grounds crew is strong and open. We would like to keep this special place, special as we have since 1949.

It does not relate to an item on the agenda.

There will not be a PowerPoint Presentation.

Jayson DesLauriers
Elite Director, Baseball Oshawa

Head coach, 16u

Item: CO-24-13

Community and Operations Services Committee - March 18, 2024

Installing Solar Lights on Conlin Road East to Accommodate Safer Bus Stops (Ward 1)

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Therefore, be it resolved that item CO-24-13 concerning the installation of solar lights on Conlin Road East to accommodate safer bus stops be received for information.

Public Report



To: Community and Operations Services Committee

From: Kevin Alexander, Commissioner,

Community and Operations Services Department

Report Number: CO-24-14

Date of Report: March 13, 2024

Date of Meeting: March 18, 2024

Subject: Selection of the 2024 Oshawa Community Legend Award

Recipient

Ward: All Wards

File: 03-05

1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this Report is to present the nominations for the selection of the 2024 Oshawa Community Legend Award.

Attachment 1 is the procedures and criteria for recognition of the Oshawa Community Legend Recognition Program.

Confidential Attachment 2 contains the nominations for consideration for the Oshawa Community Legend Award in 2024.

Attachment 3 is the Oshawa Community Legend Award recipients from 2008 – 2023.

2.0 Recommendation

That the Community and Operations Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That pursuant to Report CO-24-14 dated March 13, 2024, concerning the selection of the 2024 Oshawa Community Legend Award recipient:

- That the Community and Operations Services Committee select the 2024 Oshawa Community Legend Award recipient from the nominations presented in Confidential Attachment 2 to this Report; and
- 2. That the 2024 Oshawa Community Legend Award be presented to the selected recipient at a future meeting of Council.

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3.0 **Executive Summary**

Not applicable.

Input From Other Sources 4.0

- Chief Administrative Officer
- Commissioner, Economic and Development Services
- Commissioner, Safety and Facilities Services
- Commissioner, Corporate and Finance Services
- Finance Services
- Legal Services
- Legislative Services

5.0 **Analysis**

On January 16, 2006, Council approved the procedure and criteria for the recognition of a Community Legend at the Delpark Homes Centre (Formerly Legends Centre). The goal of this annual program is to celebrate the accomplishments of an Oshawa Community Legend and to recognize individuals and/or groups who have significantly contributed to their discipline or the Oshawa community. The procedures and criteria for determining the Oshawa Community Legend Award recipient are attached to this report as Attachment 1.

A total of 20 nominations were received in response to promotion of this program on the City of Oshawa website, social media, pamphlets and nomination forms at City of Oshawa recreation facilities, branches of the OSCC 55+ and Oshawa Public Libraries.

The Selection Committee, comprised of the Commissioner, Community and Operations Services and the Community and Operations Services Committee, is to select one Community Legend from the nominations contained in Confidential Attachment 2 to this Report.

Financial Implications 6.0

There are no financial implications resulting from the recommendations contained in this Report.

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Relationship to the Oshawa Strategic Plan 7.0

This Report addresses the Oshawa Strategic Plan goal of Social Equity and the related theme of Enrich Our Community Through Diversity by recognizing the volunteer sector and engaging residents of all ages through the nomination process.

Jim Naumovski, Director, **Recreation Services**

K. Sland

Tim Names

Kevin Alexander, Commissioner,

Community and Operations Services Department

COMMUNITY LEGEND PROGRAM

The goal of the program is to annually celebrate the accomplishments of an "Oshawa Community Legend".

Who is a Community Legend?

A Community Legend is a person and or group who:

- Excels in the activity or sport that they participate in
- Contributes to or makes an impact to the Oshawa Community, on a grass roots level, in the following areas:
 - Art and Culture
 - Sport
 - Community Initiatives
- Is of any age
- Is not necessarily a resident of Oshawa, as long as he/she has made an impact in Oshawa
- Has not received recognition through other organizations, i.e.: Sports Hall of Fame, OCCNA and affiliates, YWCA etc.

Frequency of Recognition: 1 selection per year

Award Includes:

- Name displayed in a display case at Delpark Homes Centre
- Name be added to a permanent plaque on an annual basis
- A 3 month Level 1 Membership
- Letter from the Mayor and certificate of recognition presented in a portfolio

Nomination Process:

- All nominations must be submitted and endorsed by an individual or an organization
- All nominations must be submitted on a city nomination form

Nomination Procedure:

- Nominations are reviewed once per year by a selection committee
- Staff prepare display
- Presentation of award to recipient coordinated by staff

Selection Committee:

The selection committee will be comprised of the Commissioner, Community and Operations Services and the Community and Operations Services Committee as per June 10, 2008 Council Directive.

Community Legend Recognition Program

Previous Recipients:

2023 Ukrainian Canadian Congress - Durham Region Branch (UCC-Durham)

 UCC-Durham unites both Ukrainian and non-Ukrainian community members, volunteers, leaders, and religious and other organizations in Oshawa. Together they have worked with Municipal, Regional, Provincial and Federal governments to organize the Durham Ukrainian Relief Project and the Durham Ukrainian Relief Fund (DURF).

2022 The entire community of residents, workers, volunteers, community groups, businesses, and institutions in both the public and private sectors of the great City of Oshawa.

 For their resiliency, support, compassion, kindness, dedication and sacrifices during unprecedented times related to the pandemic. For their efforts and contributions to control, contain and manage the Coronavirus (COVID-19). For all their contributions made to support the health, safety and well-being of our community during the pandemic.

2021 Julian Sheehan-Ford

 A youth who has raised over \$10,000 through his charity "A Rose to Remember" for veterans. He is a Canadian Ambassador for Free Riders Without Borders. Since the age of 8 he has been visiting veterans and handing out roses to thank them for their sacrifice and service.

2020 Jim Fergusson

 Heads up Food for Clothing Exchange. Over 30 years of volunteering in the community.

2019 S.J. Jim Brewster

• Retired from the Air Force, a member of Legion #43 for over 70 years, Jim has donated almost a \$1,000,000 to the Oshawa hospital.

2018 Sharon Clark

 Sharon has worked closely with Durham Children's Aid Foundation through her own charity Sharon's Kids which is celebrating 50 years this year!

2017 Gord Reid

 Gord was a foster parent, Block Parent, and a member of the Neighbourhood Watch. He volunteered with Community Care Durham, Meals on Wheels and the Oshawa Senior Citizens Centers. He was awarded the Provincial honour of Senior of the Year in 2008

2016 Mal Knocker

 Mal has served his community through the Canadian Armed Forces, the Oshawa Fire Department (35 years), as a coach to numerous teams, fundraiser and blood donor (140 units). He is a Life Member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #43 and also Drum Major of their Pipe Band.

2015 Chelsea Smith

 A dedicated student who has given her time at the Y.M.C.A., a local senior's centre, Lakeridge Health, as an afterschool helper as well as helping to build schools in Africa.

2014 Jackie Finn

 42 years of community service with the trade union, Meals on Wheels and the Auto Workers Community Credit Union.

2013 Viola Pilkey

Significant contribution of time and talent to social causes and political parties.

2012 Bob Hooper

"Oshawa's #1 Fan"

2011 Ken Shaw

A tireless volunteer devoted to numerous charities.

2010 Dave Thompson

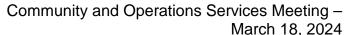
Dedication and leadership in the development of rugby in Oshawa.

2009 Jim Potticary

Advocating for the health, welfare and happiness of senior citizens.

2008 Oshawa Block Parents Association

Providing a safe haven for the children in our community.





Item: CO-24-15

Date: March 13, 2024

To: Community and Operations Services Committee

From: Beth Mullen, Director, Community Support Services

Kevin Alexander, Commissioner, Community and Operations Services

Re: Use of Speed Cushions on Rural Roads (Ward 1)

File No: 03-05

1. Purpose

The purpose of this memo is to report back on the use of speed cushions on rural roads in response to Committee and Council direction.

Attachment 1 to this Report is CO-23-60 dated November 8, 2023, "Petition from Various Residents requesting temporary Speed Cushions on Columbus Road West".

Attachment 2 to this Report is CO-24-09 dated February 7, 2024, "Review of Municipality of Clarington and Town of Whitby Use of Speed Cushions on Rural Roads".

2. Background

At its meeting of November 20, 2023, Council considered Report CO-23-60, "Petition from Various Residents requesting temporary Speed Cushions on Columbus Road West", and referred the report back to staff to review the Municipality of Clarington and the Town of Whitby's use of speed cushions on rural roads and report back in the first quarter of 2024.

At its meeting of February 12, 2024, the Community and Operations Committee considered Report CO-24-09, "Review of Municipality of Clarington and Town of Whitby Use of Speed Cushions on Rural Roads" and recommended the report be referred back to staff to investigate further calming measures along Columbus Road West. Council adopted the Community and Operations Committee's recommendation at its meeting of February 26, 2024.

Report CO-23-60 (Attachment 1), section 5.7 specifically addresses potential traffic calming options for rural roads in accordance with the Council-approved Neighbourhood Traffic Management Guide and the process for reviewing and implementing traffic calming options.

Report CO-24-09 (Attachment 2) provides information concerning the Municipality of Clarington and the Town of Whitby's use of speed cushions on rural roads.

Report to Community and Operations Services Committee

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3. Recommendation

That the Community and Operations Services Committee recommend to City Council:

- 1. That pursuant to Report CO-24-15, dated March 13, 2024 and in accordance with the Neighbourhood Traffic Management Guide (N.T.M.G.) and the Institute of Transportation Engineers (I.T.E.), staff consider implementing pavement markings and/or signage where appropriate along Columbus Road West; and,
- 2. That staff continue to work with Durham Regional Police Service and request additional speed enforcement along Columbus Road West; and,
- 3. That following the Council approved process, staff consider installing Radar Message Boards along Columbus Road West.

Beth Mullen, Director,

Community Support Services

Kevin Alexander, Commissioner,

Community and Operations Department



Public Report

To: Community and Operations Services Committee

From: Tracy Adams, Chief Administrative Officer,

Office of the C.A.O.

Report Number: CO-23-60

Date of Report: November 8, 2023

Date of Meeting: November 13, 2023

Subject: Petition for Temporary Speed Cushions on Columbus Road

West

Ward: Ward 1

File: 03-05

1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this report is to report back on Item CO-23-25 regarding a petition from residents requesting temporary speed cushions on Columbus Road West.

Attachment 1 is a copy of the petition from residents requesting temporary speed cushions on Columbus Road West.

Attachment 2 is map showing the count locations on Columbus Road West.

Attachment 3 is a photo of the Columbus gateway signage.

2.0 Recommendation

That the Community and Operations Services Committee recommend to City Council:

1. That Report CO-23-60 concerning the Petition for Temporary Speed Cushions on Columbus Road West, dated November 8, 2023, that the recommendations detailed in Section 5.8 be endorsed.

3.0 Executive Summary

Not applicable.

4.0 Input From Other Sources

Columbus Road West Petitioners

5.0 Analysis

5.1 Petition Requesting Temporary Speed Cushions on Columbus Road West

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On April 24, 2023, the Community and Operations Services Committee considered Item CO-23-25 a petition with 29 signatures requesting temporary speed cushions to be installed as a traffic calming measure to address speeding concerns along Columbus Road West. A copy of the petition is appended as Attachment 1.

Similar to a speed hump, a speed cushion is a raised area of road but does not cover the whole road width. They require passenger vehicles to limit speeds to travel over them, while larger vehicles, such as Fire Trucks or Ambulances, can "straddle" the cushions and pass with no difficulty. They are either permanently installed using raised asphalt, or temporarily using portable rubber units. Speed cushions can cause issues for snow clearing in the winter, so typically portable rubber units are used so they can be removed during the winter months.

Speed cushions are intended to be used on local and collector roads with posted speed limits of 50 km/h or less. They are not intended to be used on higher class arterial or rural roads where operating speeds are much higher or where motorists would not expect them. If a motorist travelled over the speed cushion at a high rate of speed they could lose control of their vehicle and leave the roadway. This is a serious safety concern not only for motorists, but also for other road users such as pedestrians and cyclists. Speed cushions should also be avoided in areas with poor or limited street lighting.

Due to its rural classification, Columbus Road West would not be a suitable location for speed cushions.

5.2 Road Characteristics - Columbus Road West

Columbus Road West is classified as an Arterial B road with a rural cross section. The section between Thornton Road North and Simcoe Street North is approximately 1.6 km in length, and has pavement width of 6.1 metres with narrow gravel shoulders and ditches. The posted speed limit is 50 km/h. There are no sidewalks on either side of Columbus Road West, except for a short section near Simcoe Street North. The roadway fronts a mixture of residential and farmland, and is used by large farm equipment on a regular basis.

There is limited street lighting along Columbus Road West within the limits of the Village of Columbus.

5.3 Speed and Traffic Study

In Fall 2023, staff collected updated speed and volume counts along Columbus Road West. Results of the counts are summarized in Table 1. A map showing the count locations is appended as Attachment 2.

Table 1: Speed and Volume Summary

			Eastbo	ound	Westbound	
Location	Date	Speed Limit	Speed (85 th Percentile km/h)	Volume (24 hrs)	Speed (85 th Percentile km/h)	Volume (24 hrs)
Near 424 Columbus Road West	Oct 3, 2023	50 km/h	67 km/h	1367	86 km/h	1250
Near 209 Columbus Road West	Oct 3, 2023	50 km/h	79 km/h	1390	57 km/h	1259
Near 82 Columbus Road West	Oct 3, 2023	50 km/h	69 km/h	1419	63 km/h	1316

The data shows that the 85th percentile speeds (the speed at which 85% of traffic is travelling at or below, also referred to as the operating speed) along the roadway are higher than the posted 50 km/h speed limit. The traffic volumes are acceptable and are within the range expected for an arterial classification.

Motorists tend to travel at speeds which they are comfortable based on the roadway characteristics. Regardless of the posted speed, roadways in open areas, such as along farmlands, will tend to have higher operating speeds compared to an urbanized area. To combat this, staff have installed additional '50 km/h speed limit' signs along Columbus Road West to bring additional awareness of the speed limit.

5.4 **Collision History**

A review of the collision history along Columbus Road West between Thornton Road North and Simcoe Street North found no reported collisions over the past five years.

5.5 **Existing Traffic Calming and Safety Measures**

5.5.1 Speed Limit Signage

In the past staff have installed additional 50 km/h speed limit signage along Columbus Road East and Columbus Road West to raise motorist's awareness of the posted speed limit.

5.5.2 Pavement Markings

The City has installed yellow centre lines along Columbus Road East and Columbus Road West. Within the limits of the Village of Columbus, there are also white edge line pavement markings along the roadway. The white edge line provides positive guidance to motorists, providing a buffer between the asphalt and gravel shoulder, and creates mild narrowing effect to the travel lanes.

5.5.3 'Welcome to Columbus' Gateway Signage

Currently there are 'Welcome to Columbus' gateway signs installed along Columbus Road East and Columbus Road West. These gateway signs are posted at the Columbus village limits and provide motorists with additional warning to slow down.

The gateway signage consists of a 'Welcome to Columbus – Slow Down for Safety' sign on the right side of the roadway, and a large 50 km/h warning sign on the left side of the road for traffic approaching the village. On the opposite side of the 50 km/h warning sign is a sign stating 'Thanks for Slowing Down' facing traffic travelling away from the village. Photo of the gateway signage is appended as Attachment 3.

5.5.4 Radar Message Boards

Radar Message Boards are speed display boards that are equipped with radar speed detectors and a multi-colour LED driver feedback display. Radar Message Boards provide individual feedback to motorists on their driving behaviour. The boards are capable of detecting the approaching speed of a vehicle and displaying the speed or a custom message (TOO FAST, SLOW DOWN, etc.) back to the driver. When combined with a regulatory speed limit sign, a clear message is sent to the driver that they may be travelling too fast. It is an education tool designed to increase motorist awareness and safety.

Currently there are Radar Message Boards installed on Columbus Road East and Columbus Road West approaching the village limits. These Radar Message Boards are installed as part of the Councillor Directed Radar Message Board program.

5.5.5 Community Safety Zone

A Community Safety Zone (CSZ) is a designated portion of a road that the Highway Traffic Act allows for fines to be doubled for speeding, distracted driving, and other similar offences. The CSZ must be added to the City's Traffic By-law and requires Community Safety Zone signage to be installed as per the requirements of the Highway Traffic Act and Ontario Traffic Manual. It can be an effective tool to aid Police Enforcement efforts, and can act as a deterrent to reduce speeding.

Currently Community Safety Zones are included in a traffic by-law and signed along:

- Columbus Road East between Simcoe Street North and Ritson Road North, and;
- Columbus Road West between Thornton Road North and Simcoe Street North

5.5.6 Heavy Traffic Prohibition

A Heavy Traffic Prohibition is a designation that prohibits heavy trucks from using a specific section of roadway. The Heavy Traffic Prohibition must be added to the City's Traffic By-law and requires 'No Heavy Truck' signage to be installed as per the requirements of the Highway Traffic Act and Ontario Traffic Manual. Heavy Traffic Prohibitions are intended to be used on roads that may be used as a shortcut by trucks. and on roads which may be damaged by the weight of the trucks.

Currently Heavy Traffic Prohibitions are included in a traffic by-law and signed along;

- Columbus Road East between Simcoe Street North and Ritson Road North, and;
- Columbus Road West between Thornton Road North and Simcoe Street North

5.6 **Neighbourhood Traffic Management Guide (N.T.M.G.)**

In 2022, City Council approved Oshawa's updated Neighbourhood Traffic Management Guide (N.T.M.G.). The guide outlines the processes for reviewing and implementing traffic calming requests. The guide also provides a summary of various traffic calming options, such as speed cushions, and the appropriate areas they may be installed based on best engineering practices.

The warrant process within the N.T.M.G. specifically states that 'rural roads are not suitable for the N.T.M.G. process. Traffic issues on rural roads will be considered on a case-by-case basis.' The reason for this is rural roads have different characteristics than an urban street. Rural roads have a different cross-section, typically with gravel shoulder and ditches, higher operating speeds, limited or no street lighting, and higher volumes of large farm equipment using the roadways. Another important consideration is that motorists travelling on rural roads are not as likely to expect traffic calming elements to be installed on a rural roadway compared to urban streets. Due to these concerns, caution needs to be taken when considering traffic calming on rural roads.

As per the N.T.M.G. and the ITE Canadian Guide to Traffic Calming, vertical deflections such as speed cushions and speed humps are not appropriate for rural or arterial roads, which Columbus Road West is classified as.

Due to safety concerns, traffic calming on rural or arterial roads should be limited to pavement marking or signage options. Using vertical or horizontal deflection traffic calming devices such as speed cushions or flexible bollards can create a safety issue for motorists. They can also create access issues for larger farm equipment travelling along the roadway. Physical calming options such as speed cushions or flexible bollards can be damaged, or cause damage to farm equipment.

5.7 **Potential Traffic Calming Options for Rural Roads**

As per the N.T.M.G. and the ITE Canadian Guide to Traffic Calming, traffic calming options for rural roads should be limited to pavement marking and signage options.

5.7.1 Radar Message Boards

There are currently two Radar Message Boards (RMB) installed along Columbus Road East and Columbus Road West for traffic approaching the east and west limits of the Village of Columbus. One option would be installing additional Radar Message Boards along Columbus Road West to provide additional positive guidance to motorists. Ward 1 currently has 10 RMB units available and to be installed at the direction of the local Councillors. These RMB units could be deployed to additional locations on Columbus Road West.

5.7.2 Automated Speed Enforcement

Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) is a traffic calming measure that could potentially be used along a rural road to deter speeding. In combination with a signed Community Safety Zone, ASE allows the municipality to issue fines to speeding vehicles through the use of speed cameras. The City of Oshawa does not currently have an ASE program in place. Staff are currently investigating ASE and will be reporting back to Council in the future with information on the legislative requirements and costs to implement an ASE program within Oshawa. A potential issue for implementing ASE on a rural road is the limited right-of-way to install equipment.

5.7.3 Pavement Markings

Pavement marking traffic calming options are typically used to provide positive guidance to motorists or to create a narrowing effect on the travel lanes which can in turn may cause motorists to be uncomfortable and slow down. Pavement marking traffic calming options typically provide a limited reduction in operating speeds, however, they are able to be used safely on rural roads. Pavement markings installed within the travel lanes wear down quicker and require more maintenance than typical edge or centre line pavement markings. Staff would expect these types of pavement markings to require replacement every few years.

Potential pavement marking options for Columbus Road West would include;

- Extending the white edge line markings beyond the village limits. This would create a minor narrowing effect on the travel lanes.
- On-Road 'Sign' Pavement Markings. These are pavement markings that provide information that would typically be shown to drivers through signage but are painted on the roadway to provide a larger image directly in the driver's line of sight. Examples could be the posted speed limit, or a 'SLOW DOWN' message, etc.
- 'Dragon's Teeth' or 'Peripheral Transverse Bars' are sets of pavement markings installed along the travel lanes that create an illusion that a vehicle's speed is increasing and/or that the lane is narrowing. They are intended to create a discomfort for motorists causing them to reduce their speed. These may also be used to alert drivers they are approaching a rural community.

It should be noted that the City of Oshawa does not currently have any of these traffic calming pavement marking options installed on City streets.

5.7.4 Centre Flex Bollard

Installation will only include the centre flex bollard. To maintain access for farm equipment, no outer bollards can be installed. A centre flex bollard installed without the outer bollards may have a minimal reduction in speed. Staff would need to ensure they are visible at night, and installed where the gravel shoulders are clear so they are not overly restrictive for farm equipment. Flexible bollards can only be used during warm weather months and must be removed in the winter so they do not interfere with snow clearing. They could be used in combination with the existing gateway signage to create a calming effect.

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5.8 Recommendations

Staff recommend continuing to work with Durham Regional Police Enforcement and request additional speed enforcement along Columbus Road West. Staff will also investigate piloting potential pavement markings and centre flexible bollard options for Columbus Road West in Spring/Summer 2024.

If requested by the Ward 1 Councillors, staff will provide assistance installing additional Radar Message Boards along Columbus Road West.

Due to safety concerns for road users, staff do not recommend installing vertical or horizontal deflection traffic calming devices such as speed cushions along Columbus Road West.

6.0 Financial Implications

The cost to install pavement markings and centre flexible bollard traffic calming treatments on Columbus Road West would be:

- Centre Flexible Bollard Approximately \$350 each
- On-Road 'Sign' Pavement Markings Approximately \$500-\$1,000 each depending on design/messaging
- White Edge Pavement Marking Extension from Village of Columbus Limits to Thornton Road North Approximately \$700
- Dragon's Teeth or Peripheral Transverse Bar Pavement Markings Approximately \$5,000 per set

These costs can be accommodated by the departments 2024 operating budget.

7.0 Relationship to the Oshawa Strategic Plan

This Report addresses the Oshawa Strategic Plan Goal of Social Equity.

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Tracy Adams, Chief Administrative Officer, Office of the C.A.O.

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CO-23-25

I am a long-time resident on Columbus Road West and submit this letter and Petition below in support of the request to OSHAWA MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL for <u>temporary speed cushions on Columbus Rd.</u> West.

I have been on the Durham Region Police Services Community Advisory Committee since 2019 and have made the speeding concerns know to DRPS. But police

enforcement, signs the City installed for traffic to slow for cyclists and joggers, the Radar Message Board (RMB) and Community Safety Zone (CSZ) have not made a difference. Vehicles continue at excessive speeds that are dangerous.

Signed by Elizabeth Linda Joss, April 7, 2023, <M.F.I.P.P.A Sec. 14(1)>, Oshawa

Petition for Temporary Speed Cushions on Columbus Rd. West, Oshawa

The residents along Columbus Road West have endured excessive speeding without any effective abatement for too long. It is a unique rural residential community road with 23 private residential driveways and many seniors and families with young children.

Although many of us have complained to DRPS for speed enforcement and to our Ward Councillors who have tried to help with the RMB installed 4 years ago, and the CSZ last year, we, the majority of the families and individuals residing on Columbus Rd West ask the City to install temporary speed cushions for safety, as this is a traffic calming measure used effectively by many other municipalities.

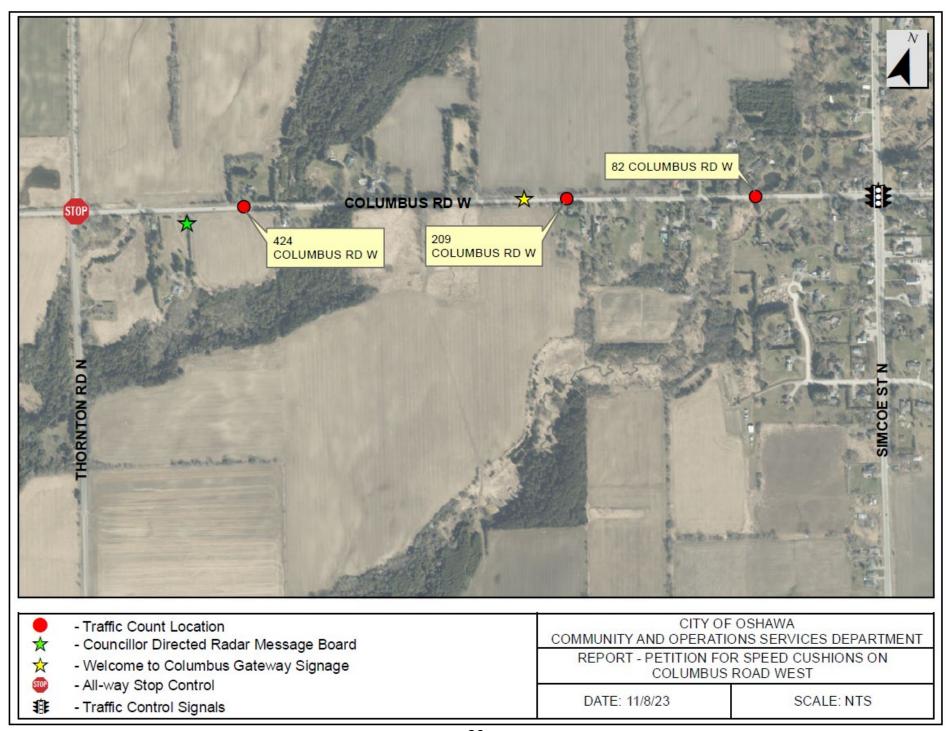
Columbus Rd. West in north Oshawa is unique in that it is 1 ½ km in length and 90% of it has no sidewalk or curbs and almost non-existent road shoulders, but has many regular joggers and cyclists. See Google map photo attached and Speed Cushion page from Oshawa Neighbourhood Traffic Management Guide Even though it is classified as a city arterial road, we ask that Oshawa Council make an exemption and permit temporary speed cushions to be installed in locations where the undersigned property owners agree.

29 Signatures

The original petition is available for viewing in the office of the City Clerk, Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The City of Oshawa is not accountable for the accuracy or reliability of petitions submitted.

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Attachment 3: 'Welcome to Columbus' Gateway Signage







Public Report

To: Community and Operations Services Committee

From: Kevin Alexander, Commissioner,

Community and Operations Services Department

Report Number: CO-24-09

Date of Report: February 7, 2024

Date of Meeting: February 12, 2024

Subject: Review of Municipality of Clarington and Town of Whitby Use of

Speed Cushions on Rural Roads

Ward: Ward 1

File: 03-05

1.0 Purpose

At its meeting of November 20, 2023, Council considered Report CO-23-60 'Petition for Temporary Speed Cushions on Columbus Road West'. The report was in response to a petition from residents requesting temporary speed cushions on Columbus Road West. Council referred the report back to staff to review the Municipality of Clarington and the Town of Whitby and their use of speed cushions on rural roads and to report back in the first quarter of 2024.

The purpose of this report is to respond to Council's direction.

2.0 Recommendation

That the Community and Operations Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That Report CO-24-09 dated February 7, 2024 concerning a review of the use of speed cushions on rural roads in the Municipality of Clarington and the Town of Whitby, be received for information.

3.0 Executive Summary

Not applicable.

4.0 Input From Other Sources

Legal Services
Legislative Services

Municipalities: Clarington, Whitby

5.0 Analysis

5.1 Use of Speed Cushions on Rural Roads

5.1.1 Municipality of Clarington

The Municipality of Clarington currently has speed cushions installed at four (4) locations along a rural road. For the last three (3) years they have been installed seasonally during the warm weather months and removed during the winter. They currently use temporary rubber speed cushions, which typically have a life expectancy of approximately three years and are nearing replacement due to normal wear and tear.

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The seasonal speed cushions are installed at:

- Concession Road 6 near Solina Road (2 sets)
- Old Scugog Road south of Werrydale Drive
- West Beach Road north of Cove Road

The response from the public has been mostly negative from road users and residents living in the vicinity of the speed cushions, and they have received requests to have them removed. Complaints received include:

- Noise from screeching tires slowing for the speed cushions, and acceleration noise from vehicles after passing the speed cushions.
- Noise from larger vehicles travelling over the speed cushions.
- Motorcycles speeding through the gaps in the speed cushions.

The Municipality of Clarington has not experienced any complaints from Emergency Services nor are they aware of any reported collisions at any speed cushion locations. Clarington staff did not indicate any intention to remove the speed cushions permanently based on the complaints received.

5.1.2 Town of Whitby

In 2020, the Town of Whitby piloted temporary rubber speed cushions year round at urban locations only; however, they were damaged by snow plows in the winter and had to be removed. Public feedback during the pilot was mostly positive although they did receive some comments that the profile of the temporary speed cushions was not high enough to slow down vehicles.

No collisions were reported during the pilot project. They did have one damage claim as a result of the speed cushions.

Although the Town of Whitby does not currently have any speed cushions installed, they are planning on installing some permanent asphalt speed cushions at urban locations only in 2024. They do not have any plans to install speed cushions at any rural road locations.

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5.2 Staff Recommendations

In accordance with the Neighborhood Traffic Management Guide (N.T.M.G.), and the ITE Canadian Guide to Traffic Calming, traffic calming options for rural roads should be limited to pavement marking and/or signage.

Based on the feedback received from both the Municipality of Clarington and the Town of Whitby, and with reference to the N.T.M.G. analysis summarized in CO-23-60 under sections 5.6 and 5.7, staff do not recommend installing speed cushions along Columbus Road or any other rural road locations in Oshawa.

It is further recommended that staff continue to work with Durham Regional Police Service with respects to speed enforcement along Columbus Road West, and continue to support installation of Radar Messaging Boards (RMB's), with due consideration of the N.T.M.G.

Financial Implications 6.0

There are no financial implications directly related to this report.

7.0 Relationship to the Oshawa Strategic Plan

This Report addresses the Oshawa Strategic Plan Goal of Social Equity.

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Community Support Services

Kevin Alexander, Commissioner,

Community and Operations Services Department

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1.	Satellite Oshawa Animal Services Facility	CSC – Apr 23/19 CS-19-62	CNCL - Apr 29/19 CS-19-62	That staff investigate a north Oshawa Animal Services satellite facility or one centralized facility; and, this item be referred to the Oshawa Animal Care Advisory Committee once established	Community Support Services	T.B.D.
2.	Tree By-law	CSC – Jun 20/13 CS-13-46	CNCL – Jun 24/13 CS-13-46	 That based on Report CS-13-46 dated June 13, 2013, staff be authorized to prepare a draft by-law and administrative process to protect privately owned trees in environmentally sensitive areas and woodlands for Council's consideration and approval; and, That staff coordinate a public meeting on the draft by-law to obtain public input; and, 	Operations Services	2024

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				3. That the draft by-law be circulated to the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee, the Building Industry Liaison Team, the Durham Homebuilders Association and the Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority for comment.		
	Tree Protection By-law to preserve mature and healthy trees	CSC – Oct. 28/19 CS-19-134	CNCL – Nov. 4/19 CS-19-134	Referred to staff for a report		
3.	Reduction of Speed in School Zones to 30 km/hr	CNCL - Notice of Motion – Mar 29/21 CS-21-40	CNCL - May 12/ 22 CNCL-22- 37	Following the 40km/h area pilot program set out in the Neighbourhood Traffic Management Guide, staff to report in 2023 to investigate and make recommendations regarding a 30 km/h policy	Community Support Services	Second Quarter 2024

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4.	Expansion of Large Item Collection Policy	CSC- Oct 18/21 CS-21-111	CNCL- Oct 25/21 CS-21-111	Staff to prepare a report on the expansion of the Large Item Collection policy to include residents in rental accommodations on a basis that is fair and similar to the service level available to other residents, with appropriate consideration for feasibility, technical limitations, alignment with existing exclusions for some multi-residential and apartment buildings required to provide their own waste services, and other reasonable limits, such that renters generally will no longer be subject to the requirement that arrangements be made through the property owner, property manager or building superintendent.	Operations Services	Third Quarter 2024
5.	Durham Region's Proposed study on Streetlighting	CSC-Nov 15/21 CS-21-120	CNCL-Dec 13/21 CS-21-132	Staff to report back on the results of the Region of Durham's Study of the Current Policy/Practice for Streetlighting on Regional Roads.	Community Support Services	T.B.D.

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6.	Petition for a 3way stop at Verdun Rd. and Vimy Ave.	CSC-Nov 15/21 CS-21-121 COC-Nov 13/23 CO-23-58	CNCL - Nov 20/23	That Item CO-23-58 be referred to staff to investigate options using the Neighborhood Traffic Management Guide and report back to Community and Operations Services Committee.	Community Support Services	Third Quarter 2024
7.	Future Traffic Data on Britannia Ave. E, Bridle Rd. and Steeplechase St.	CSC-Nov 15/21 CS-21-125	CNCL - Dec 12/22	That staff continue to monitor the traffic in the residential neighbourhoods surrounding the new Costco site, and collect updated traffic data and report back when construction is completed along Steeplechase Street.	Community Support Services	Fourth Quarter 2024
8.	Durham Catholic District School Board requesting a Partnership with the City of Oshawa	CSC April 19/22 CS-22-45	CSC April 19/22 CS-22-45	Referred to staff for a report	Recreation Services	Fourth Quarter 2024

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9.	Oshawa Power and Utilities Corporation requesting an updated collaboration request to facilitate Transportation Innovation Opportunities	CSC-April 19/22 CS-22-41	CNCL April 25/22 CS-22-41	That Community Services staff provide a report to the Community Services Committee in the 4th Quarter 2023 on the results of this initiative addressing such matters as the amount of use of the electric vehicle charging spaces, a cost/benefit analysis and any enforcement concerns/complaints and that the report include input from the OPUC and affected downtown property owners, residents and businesses near the spaces.	Community Support Services	T.B.D.
10.	Kyle Paterson Requesting a Disc Golf Course	CS June 13, 2022 CS-22-73	CNCL June 20/22 CS-22-73	The request for a Disc Golf Course be referred to the Parks, Recreation, Library and Culture Review	Recreation Services	T.B.D.
11.	Julie Reid, President of the Oshawa Aquatic Club - New Recreation Centre in the Parks, Recreation, Library, and Culture Facility Needs Assessment Study (P.R.L.C.)	CS – Sept 20/ 2022 Delegation	CS – Sept 20/22	That the content of the delegation from Julie Reid, President, Oshawa Aquatic Club concerning the new recreation centre in the Parks, Recreation, Library and Culture Facility Needs Assessment be referred to the Facilities Needs Assessment Study.	Recreation Services	Second Quarter 2024

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12.	Petition from Various Residents requesting temporary Speed Cushions on Columbus Road West	CO-23-60	CNCL - Feb26/24	Referred back to staff to investigate traffic calming measures along Columbus Road West	Community Support Services	T.B.D.
13.	Enhanced Green Bin Program	COS – June 12/23 CO-23-34	CNCL – June 26/23 CO-23-34	Staff to report back on the outcome of the discussions with the Region	Operations Services	T.B.D.
14.	Winter Maintenance Operations and Customer Feedback Implementation	COS – Oct 23/23 CO-23-56	CNCL- Oct 30/23	That improvements outlined in Report CO-23- 56 dated October 18, 2023, concerning the Winter Maintenance Operations and Customer Feedback Implementation be endorsed; and,	Operations Services	2024
				2. That staff report back at the end of the winter season on the findings of the customer service satisfaction communications and any proposed winter maintenance operations changes including City Quality Standards and potential budget implications.		

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15.	Proposal to secure parking lot at walk in clinic	Oct 23, 2023 CO-23-57	CNCL- Oct 30/23	Referred to staff for investigation	Community Support Services	T.B.D.
16.	Installation of a Temporary Off Lease Dog Park at Southmeade Park	Jan 15, 24 CO-24-05	CNCL-Jan 29/2024	Referred to staff for investigation	Community Support Services	T.B.D.
17.	Snow and Ice clearing from trails	Jan 15,24 CO-24-06	CNCL-Jan 29/2024	Referred to staff for investigation	Operations Services	Fourth Quarter 2024
18.	Road Salt Working Group Report (Previously OEAC-24- 05) (All Wards)	CO-24-11	CNCL- Feb26/2024	Referred back to the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee in order for the Road Salt Working Group to provide a report to the Safety and Facilities Management Services Committee and City Council on its respective project before presenting to the Durham Environmental Advisory Committee.	Operations Services	T.B.D.
19.	Funding Agreement for use of Campus Ice Centre (All Wards)	CO-24-08	CNCL- Feb26/2024	That Item CO-24-08 be referred back to staff	Operations Services	T.B.D.
20.	Fleet Services Decarbonization Strategy	CS-21-105 CS-Oct18/21	CNCL- Jan29/24	Referred to staff	Operations Services	T.B.D.

21.	Safe school zone pilot project	CO-24-XX	CNCL-23- 11 Dec11/23	Whereas at many Oshawa schools, during start and dismissal times, the noncompliance of school zone no parking locations has become a serious safety concern; and,	Community Support	Second Quarter 2024
				Whereas reducing traffic and parking congestion during start and dismissal times will improve safety;		
				Therefore that staff be directed to:		
				1. Consult with the Durham School Boards, Durham Area municipalities and Durham Regional Police Services and obtain written feedback on the City of Oshawa implementing policies that give consideration to:		
				a. Increase the fines for school zone parking offences;		
				b. Install signs identifying parking locations where fines are increased and where street parking is permitted;		
				c. Investigate on a case by case basis, right in/right out turns for designated school driveways; and,		
				Prepare a report based on the findings in Part 1 identifying the feasibility and		

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				process for developing a Safe School Zone Pilot Program in which Ward Councillors can agree to implement in up to two schools in their Ward for the 2024-2025 school year.		