

As We Heard It Report #2

Naskapi Drive Traffic Calming Study

Background

The City has initiated a Neighbourhood Traffic Calming (NTC) study along Naskapi Drive due to traffic concerns raised by residents including speeding and school safety. The study was initiated in March 2021. The purpose of the study is to develop, evaluate, and recommend traffic calming measures which aim to improve conditions for road users and residents along Naskapi Drive.

Summary of Consultation Activities

This report is the second 'As We Heard It Report' for the *Naskapi Drive Traffic Calming Study*. The first report contains background information about the study and the results from an initial online survey which was conducted in the spring of 2021 to gather feedback regarding traffic issues along Naskapi Drive and to ensure that there was a reasonable level of community support to initiate the study.

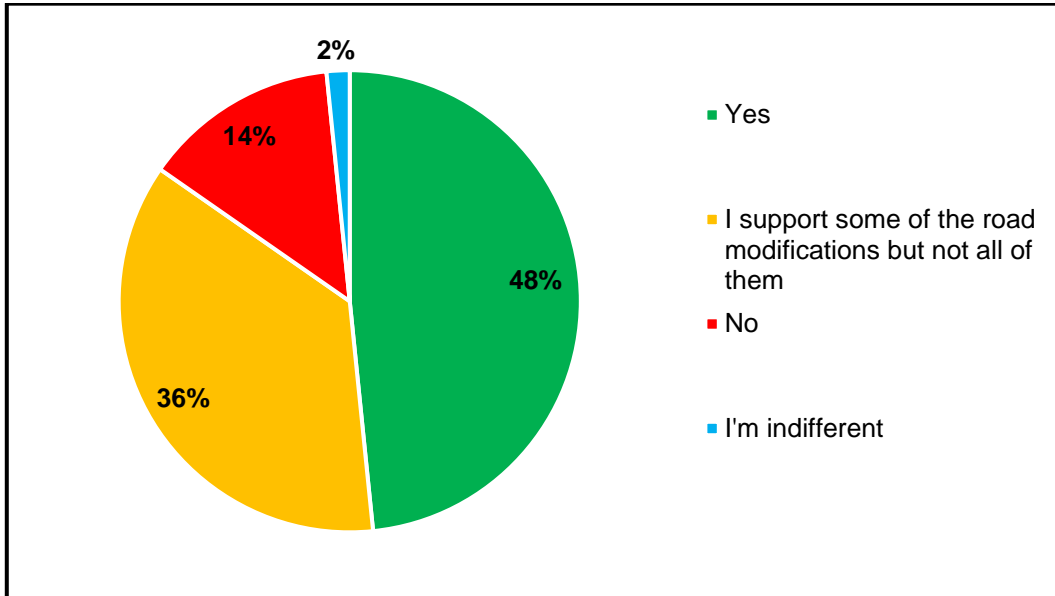
This 'As We Heard It Report #2' includes the results from the consultation activity related to the proposed traffic calming measures (speed humps, raised crossings, and intersection narrowing) which consisted of an online survey. The online survey was conducted in summer of 2022. A flyer was mailed to residents and the surrounding neighbourhood to notify them about the upcoming study and about the survey. The survey was available from Jun 14th to Jul 15th, 2022. A total of 124 people responded to the public survey.

Both of these 'As We Heard It Reports' can be found on the project webpage at [Naskapi Drive Traffic Calming Study](#).

Online Survey Two Results

The following section includes the results from the second online survey including summaries of the individual comments received.

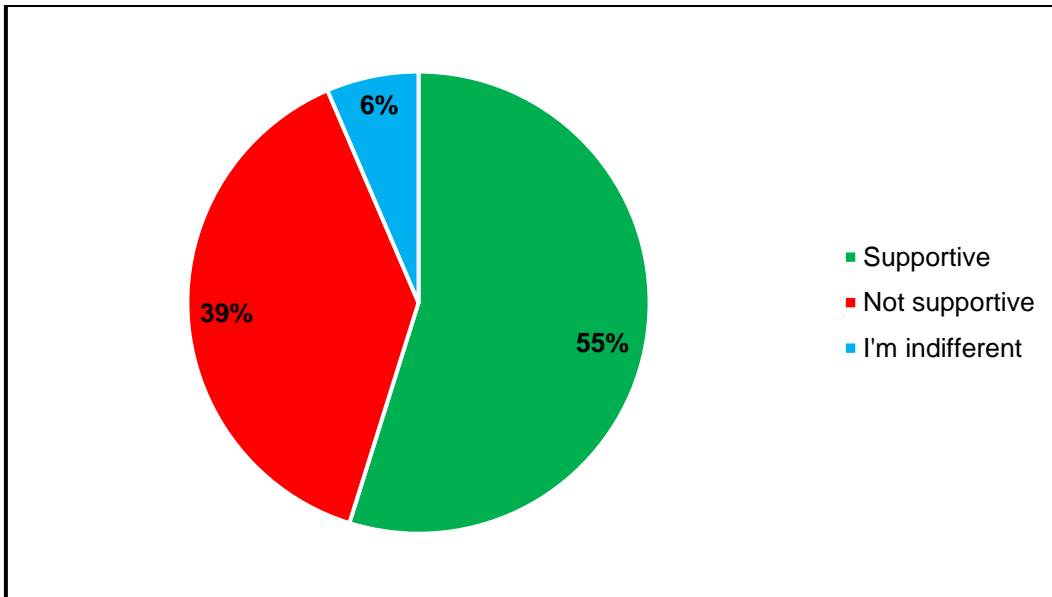
1. Do you support the proposed Traffic Calming Plan along Naskapi Drive?



Response	Total # of Respondents	Total % of Responses
Yes	60	48%
I support some of the road modifications but not all of them	45	36%
No	17	14%
I'm indifferent	2	2%
Total	124	100%

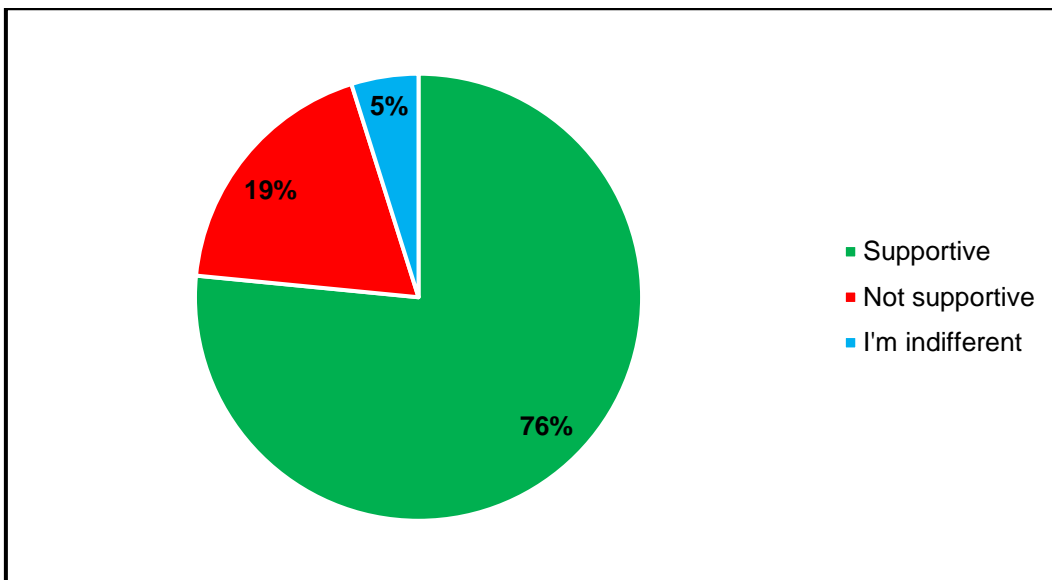
2. In order to help us develop potential solutions to address your primary concerns, please indicate your support of the following types of permanent traffic calming measures that are proposed

a. Speed Humps



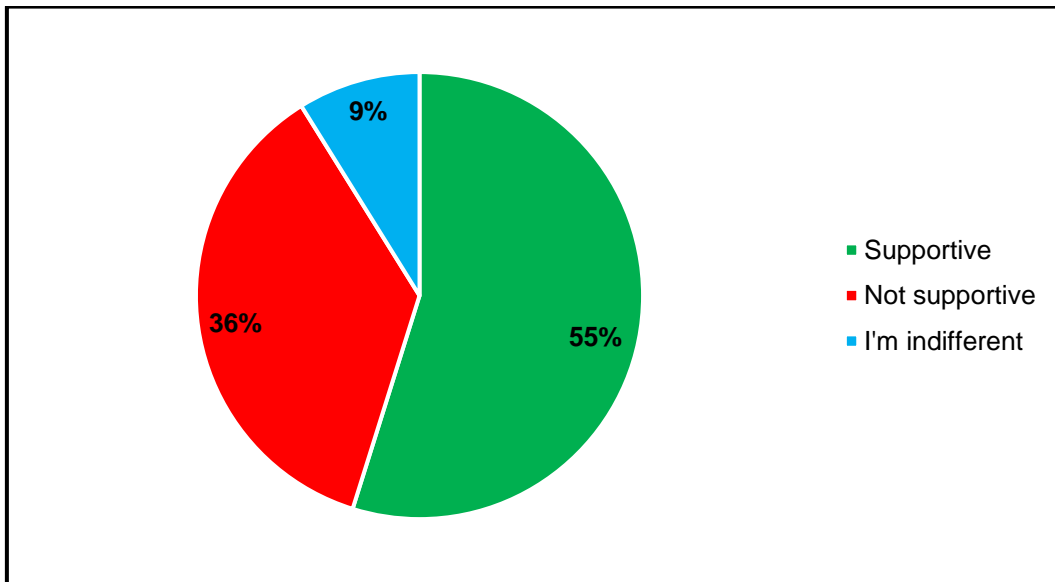
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Supportive	68	55%
Not supportive	48	39%
I'm indifferent	8	6%
Total	124	100%

b. Raised Crossing



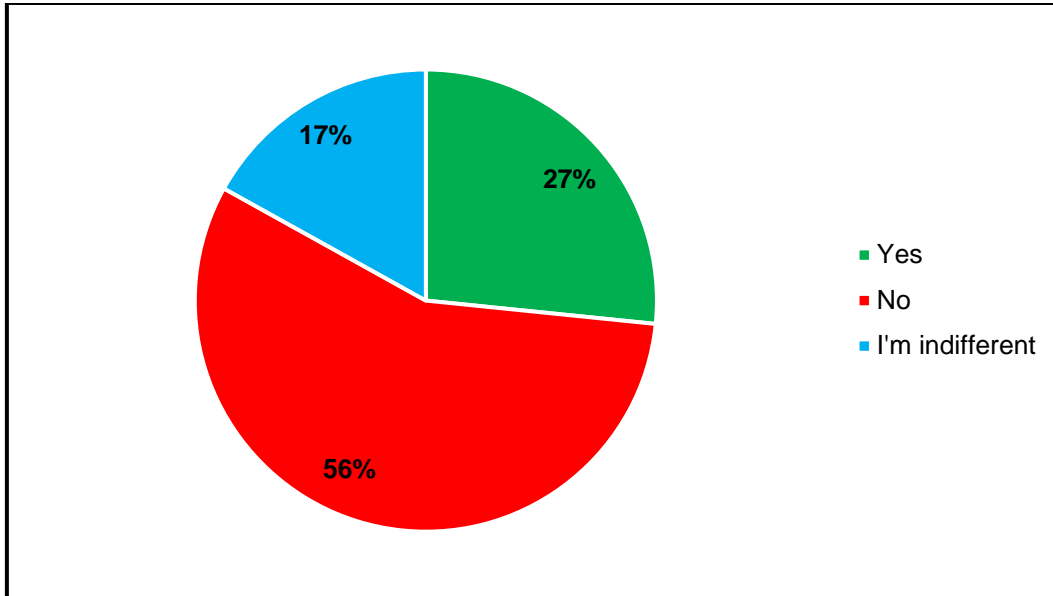
Response	Total # of Respondents	Total % of Responses
Supportive	95	76%
Not supportive	23	19%
I'm indifferent	6	5%
Total	124	100%

c. Intersection Narrowing



Response	Total # of Respondents	Total % of Responses
Supportive	68	55%
Not supportive	45	36%
I'm indifferent	11	9%
Total	124	100%

3. Do you support a parking regulation change from “No Parking” to “2-hr Parking” on the north side of Naskapi Drive between Beaconwood Drive E and Beaconwood Drive West?



Response	Total # of Respondents	Total % of Responses
Yes	33	27%
No	70	56%
I'm indifferent	21	17%
Total	124	100%

4. Please include any general comments you feel are relevant. (The following comments are not in any particular order)

A total of 68 responses were received and a representative summary has been prepared below. The full list of responses can be found in the Appendix.

- Too many vertical deflections (speed humps + raised crossing) for short distance. Seems excessive and overkill.
- Drivers go fast especially in the evening/night.
- Parking on the north side serves no purpose.
- People are parking illegally. No enforcement.
- Parking will narrow the street and it's already narrow especially in the winter.
- There is a visibility issue at Naskapi/Ogilvie.

- Speed limit sign is missing.
- Speed camera may help.
- Cars are running stop sign at Marquis W/ Naskapi.
- Thank you for addressing the issue.
- Traffic calming measures are not required.

Appendix

Please find below the complete summary of different comments received for Question 4. Comments have been consolidated and grouped into common themes and are not in any particular order.

Speed Humps
Speed humps don't work well. Affect fuel efficient cars and slow fire trucks
Speed humps and signage may help reduce vehicle speeds
Speed bump should be installed on Rothwell – 1 block from the Naskapi intersection
One of the speed humps on Naskapi would be at the end of our driveway. We have enough problems maneuvering around the sign that is in the middle of the street. This would be very frustrating and, in my mind, unnecessary
Wondering how speed humps and raised crossing fare in the winter with snow clearing operations
If the speed limit is lowered to 40km/hr, then the speed bumps would be warranted
Speed humps would make big difference. Something has to be done because there are some habitual speeders that go well over 60km/hr every day. Fully support.
Not sure why speed bumps are needed going up Naskapi long before school.
I have a low electric vehicle that is susceptible to underside damage from speed humps
Speed humps and raised crosswalk as built in the city have no standardization, with many different heights, widths and in some cases open center sections of speed bumps as in Kanata. Evident issues were having to redo raised cross walk at Montreal/Ogilvie
4 speed humps and 2 raised crossings is excessive for short distance
Not a fan of speed bumps but may be necessary because of school. However, personally feel there is more than what's required
Amount of speed humps near Ogilvie seems excessive and unnecessary.
Proposed number of speed humps is excessive.
Speed
Truck and buses go fast on this road
Drivers go fast along Naskapi especially in the evening and night
I am more concerned about speeding on Rothwell Dr between Naskapi and Delong
Speed on radar is changed from 50km/hr. to 40km/hr. If the limit is 40km/hr., why is it not posted? Why not demarcate a school zone with 30km/hr during school time
Please decrease speed limit around school and consider speed camera.
Vibration
Shaking and rumbling by large trucks and buses. Roads are not properly maintained.
Parking

Lack of parking makes it hard to drop off groceries or pick up family members. Parking would also have traffic calming value. Hope overnight parking would be available for house guests
There should be no parking on Naskapi.
The school should increase its visitor parking to resolve pickups- that would prevent children from running across the road
Have rarely noticed people parking on the north side. They always park on south side, nearest the residences. Make more sense to provide parking on south side.
There was parking on the south side of Naskapi and was abolished in around 1987. Don't see a point of 2 hr. parking meters. The Beaconwood complex as CCC 39 have visitor parking. Create danger while crossing if parking is allowed on N side
The drop off and pick up issues have not been addressed for the school and the traffic issues this problem causes on Naskapi at Ludgate
Absolutely no need for more parking.
Parking on the north side of Naskapi serves no purpose
Naskapi is too narrow as it is with cars constantly illegally parked on south side of the street
The city needs to enforce illegal parking on Naskapi for safety. Don't support parking
People are already parking illegally. City does nothing to stop. Narrowing the street will be horrible in winter as street becomes narrow due to bad snow plowing
There used to be parking on Naskapi. It was a mess and impossible in winter. Put the parking in front of the school on the North side. The parents and kids park on the south side and its chaos when they go back to their cars
Don't support parking ever on Naskapi between Ogilvie and Marquis W. Naskapi can get busy at times but worse, snowplows are almost certain to have to go around parked cars, even if they are limited to 2 hrs. with the result that the road would not be adequately plowed
Strongly against allowing parking between Marquis and Ogilvie. There is plenty of parking for residents along side streets.
Even with 2 hr. parking, people don't respect it. During the winter, the street narrows by 4/5 feet and makes it impassable.
Parking on Naskapi will reduce visibility, so not support
Allowing parking for 2 hrs. will create bottleneck at Beaconwood. Also feel the school should allow cars to park on their property as it affect Ludgate during the week creating hazard when parked on both sides of Ludgate
Instead of north, allow parking on the south side beside residence
Currently, no parking sign is highly ignored. If parking is to be permitted, it might help to draw some lines to distinguish parking zones and perhaps even distinguishing road divisions on the pavement because of how the parked cars already disrupt the pathway of driving vehicles, especially when people opening doors unexpectedly
Please keep the no parking law. Difficult to navigate especially in winter if parking is allowed
Narrowing/bulb-out
Proposed narrowing of intersection of Rothwell/Naskapi is problematic for trucks with trailers which are heading eastbound from Rothwell and turn southbound on Rothwell

Narrowing may make visibility worse for drivers coming from Naskapi on to Rothwell. It already requires a serious turn of one's head to check for oncoming traffic on Rothwell Dr approaching from the left. Narrowing would make situation worse.
Bike lane
As a cyclist as well as a driver, the bollards in the middle of the roadway have an unintended safety issue, drivers generally don't want to wait two seconds to pass, so they go into facing lane to pass. This created a head on collision risk.
Cycling safety concern is not addressed. Cyclists are at risk with parking at two places by the school and illegal parking by Beaconwood.
Raised crossing/Cross walks
Instead of just raised cross walk, consider raised intersection from the design guide. Also consider raised cross walk on west side of school near Ludgate
Raised pedestrian crossing at the school is fully supported. Not sure if same is needed at Naskapi/Rothwell unless you are also putting sidewalks along Rothwell
Crossing near Beaconwood should take into consideration as there is no legal crossing between Ogilvie and Marquis W
Do not support a pedestrian crossing between Beaconwood E and W
Visibility
City's comment about visibility on Naskapi/Ogilvie makes no sense. While turning left from Naskapi to Ogilvie, the electric transformer and curve of the road prevent sightlines of traffic travelling south on Ogilvie that are on the right lane
Visibility is not sufficient at Ogilvie. Turning left is difficult
Signs
There should be a sign to keep slow right after the pedestrian catchment going east on Naskapi just turning the bend and raise up the sidewalk because there is a little pathway that comes out and is invisible by trees, many drivers hit the curb as it is not raised enough.
Would be nice to have some speed limits signs as you enter Naskapi from Ogilvie.
I suggest mid road speed limit signs between Beaconwood E and W to help enforce lanes. Is it possible to add cross walk on Marquis E at Naskapi
Miscellaneous
A radar (speed reminder) might be helpful
Disappointed that mid-block narrowing, and curb radii reduction did not make into the plan. These should be included at Rothwell and Ogilvie intersection with Naskapi. There should be narrowed intersection and a raised cross walk on Naskapi at Ogilvie as lots of pedestrians cross there
The Rothwell/Naskapi intersection requires realignment
As a resident, I don't see a need of any traffic calming measures. It is considered a main road and it's rare to see someone driving at rapid speeds or dangerously
Nothing should be done. Since the road was built there has never been any traffic related incidents. Project is not necessary
School area is worst part of the street

Much of this traffic calming study and the resulting recommendations are unnecessary. I have lived in the Rothwell Ridge development and have not witnessed a problem with speeding during this time
Photo radar would reduce speed instead. Only penalize people who speed. Also, camera at stop signs as many drivers blow by the stop signs at Rothwell, Marquis without even slowing down
Cars are always running through stop signs at Marquis.
Thank you for addressing the issue
More sidewalks are needed (e.g. Rothwell Dr) to encourage and make walking safe
I understand the school related traffic issues and am generally supportive
Thank you for proposed safety measures. Naskapi and particularly Marquis are very dangerous for pedestrians and cyclists. Speeding and not stopping at the stop sign are frequent now a days and these measures should help.
Left turn from Naskapi to Ogilvie is impossible during am peak, something needs to be done
Please leave things alone
I support some but not most of the changes. I think it is overkill for short distance
Fixing the intersection of Naskapi/Marquis is a good idea. A raised crossing and realigned path would be welcome changes after 30+ years.
Do not like proposed changes on Rothwell. Narrowing the road is a bad idea. Raised intersection is enough to slow traffic.
The safety problem on Naskapi is caused primarily by school parking which should have been designed to allow efficient school bus ingress and egress and other child drop off vehicles
Reduce speed to max 30km/hr