



GRAND VALLEY

## STAFF REPORT

**To:** Mayor and Members of Council

**From:** Matthew Bos, Director of Public Works

**Meeting Date:** February 11, 2025

**Report Number:** 2025-021

**Subject:** Leeson Street Traffic Calming Pilot – Survey Results

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### Recommendation

**THAT** Council receives the Report – Leeson Street Traffic Calming Pilot – Survey Results, **AND FURTHER THAT** Council considers the survey data in determining future traffic calming devices and traffic calming areas.

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### Executive Summary

#### Purpose

To provide Council with the survey data from the Leeson Street Traffic Calming Pilot.

#### Key Findings

Highlights from the survey include:

- 95% respondents noticed a change in traffic speed
- 42% respondents indicated traffic calming measures were effective
- 73% respondents select speed cushions as most effective
- 33% respondents were satisfied with the traffic calming pilot project

#### Financial Implications

There are no financial implications to this report.

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## Report

### Background

On June 25, 2025 Council received the [Leeson Street Traffic Calming Update Report](#) and [directed staff](#) to purchase 6 speed cushions as recommended by R.J. Burnside Engineering in their Traffic Calming Pilot Project Plan.

In early August 2024, area residents along Leeson Street from Mill Street to Melody Lane and 4 homes on the west side of Leeson (defined pilot traffic calming area) were provided with communications from the Town to update them on the traffic calming project. They were advised that traffic calming devices would be installed in three locations along this stretch of road. Each location would have two speed cushions, three bollards, two warning signs at the cushions and two pre-warning signs alerting motorists of the approaching cushions.

Installation of the devices commenced the week of August 12<sup>th</sup> and were removed the last week of October in preparation for winter control season. The traffic calming devices were in place for approximately 10 weeks with the removal of the devices completing the pilot.

### Discussion

On November 21, 2024, the Town delivered an update regarding the completion of the pilot project to each residence along the defined pilot traffic calming area and requested their feedback by completing a survey (attachment 1). A total of 90 surveys were distributed. The survey consisted of 6 questions with the purpose of gathering responses on the effectiveness of the traffic calming devices in reducing the speeding concerns, identify weaknesses and receive comments/feedback which would assist Council their consideration of future areas for traffic calming and devices.

Survey questions included the following:

1. How often do you travel on Leeson Street between Mill Street and Melody Lane?
2. Have you noticed a change in traffic speeds on Leeson Street since the traffic calming measures were implemented?
3. How effective do you think traffic calming measures have been in controlling speed on Leeson Street?
4. Which traffic calming measures do you think were most effective? Select all that apply.
5. Do you have any suggestions for improving the traffic calming, or any additional comments or feedback?
6. How satisfied are you with the overall traffic conditions on Leeson Street following the implementation of the traffic calming measures?

Surveys could be completed on-line using the scannable QR code or a paper copy could be dropped off at the Town Office. The survey was open for 6 weeks, from November 21<sup>st</sup> to December 31, 2024.

A total of 24 completed surveys were received- 21 on-line and 3 hard copies - and the results are included as attachment 2.

In addition to the survey comments, staff received comments by email, and those comments have been provided as attachment 3.

Staff are providing this data to Council for their consideration for future traffic calming projects.

### **Financial Impact**

There are no financial implications to this report.

### **Consultations**

Donna Tremblay, Deputy Clerk/Communications Coordinator

### **Attachments**

Attachment 1 – November 21, 2024 letter and survey

Attachment 2 – Survey responses

Attachment 3 – Email comments

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