


Item No. 12.2.1

Request for Consideration	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Request from the Floor	<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Motion
Council or Committee: Transportation SC	Date of Meeting: Thursday May 18, 2023
Subject: 30kph signs in traffic calmed school zones	
Motion: The Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report regarding process to request that all school zones in HRM be designated 30kph zones on a permeant basis.	
Reason: Transportation Standing Committee has recently heard from parents concerned about the size of school zone speed signs. Nova Scotia may be the only jurisdiction in North America to require 30 kph speeds when children are present, most or all are signed for 30kph all day long, out of recognition that school sites are used for recreation, playground, and other purposes outside of school hours. While the type of sign that must be used to show an school zone on an unaltered street is dictated by Motor Vehicle Act regulation and beyond Council's ability to change, the recent introduction of speed humps and other traffic calming in most residential school zones means that the Provincial Traffic Authority is likely to approve 30kph speed signs where modifications were made. It can also be argued that the traffic calming measures require new speed signs to provide appropriate speed information to vehicle drivers before they encounter traffic calming.	
Outcome Sought: Staff report that outline opportunities, concerns and funding sources for this request.	
<i>Moved Councillor Wye Mason</i> 	<i>District 7</i>