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Delegation information

Committee you want to address
Executive Policy Committee

Agenda item you want to address (number and title)
Report of the Standing Policy Comittee on Public Works dated March 4, 2026; number 3

Support or oppose recommendations
I support the recommendations

Submit comments in writing checkbox
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Comments
I am writing to express my strong support for the recommendations outlined in the Reduced-Speed Neighborhood Pilot and the City's Default Speed Limit administrative report.

Lowering Winnipeg's default speed limit from 50 km/h to 30 km/h represents a practical and evidence-based approach to improving safety, livability, and community well-being across our city. The results of the pilot, supported by both technical analysis and public feedback, clearly show that reducing vehicle speeds can lead to safer streets, reducing severe collisions and death, and a more comfortable environment for pedestrians, cyclists, and families.

A 30 km/h default speed would bring Winnipeg in line with many other Canadian cities that have already implemented similar measures and seen measurable improvements in traffic safety and community satisfaction. The proposed public awareness campaign and Downtown speed plan will also ensure that the transition is clear, consistent, and well-communicated to residents and drivers alike.

While I understand some residents have concerns about potential travel delays, the evidence consistently shows that lower residential speed limits add minimal time to commutes while delivering significant safety benefits. Lives, safety, and quality of life must remain our top priorities.

I urge Council to adopt the Public Service's recommendation and request the Province of Manitoba grant the City the necessary authority to establish a 30 km/h default speed limit. This change will move Winnipeg toward a safer, more people-centered transportation network that aligns with our Road Safety Action Plan and broader vision for a healthy, sustainable city.

Thank you for your leadership on this important issue.

Public engagement (optional)

I consent to being contacted to participate in potential public engagement related to this matter.
Yes

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