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First name (required)	Trevor
Last name (required)	Stark
What do you want to do? (required)	Submit a comment
Public hearing item (required - max 75 characters)	Lowering residential speed limits
Date of meeting	Feb 1, 2021

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I am writing as a proud Calgary resident regarding the debates about lowering speed limits in residential areas. I strongly support this measure. It is an important step toward creating safer, pedestrian friendly communities. When I moved to Calgary 4 years ago, I was shocked by the predominance of pedestrian crosswalks (many of them without signals and across multiple lanes) across roads with a speed limit of 50. Lowering speed limits to 40 is crucial: many cars simply cannot stop in time for a pedestrian crossing the street at a crosswalk. I have almost been hit more times than I can say. I am in the sad position of avoiding walking in my neighbourhood (especially with my child) due to the danger posed by drivers. For the Calgary of the future, I hope for a less car-centric city where the streets and sidewalks are safe for pedestrians of all ages and abilities. More traffic lights, lower speed limits, wider sidewalks, and, most importantly, investment in public transit are all crucially important: not only for the safety of our communities but for our economic vibrancy. I would also support lowering the limit to 30 in residential areas. Thank you very much!

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