



**Date:** November 29, 2023 **Agenda Item:** 8.2  
**To:** Board of Trustees  
**From:** Shawna Warren, Superintendent  
**Originator(s):** Ruth Kuik, Acting Associate Superintendent, Corporate Services  
**Governance Policy:** [Policy 500: Student Transportation Services](#)  
**Additional Reference:** *Education Act: Sections 7(1), 4(1)(8), 59(1)*  
**Assurance Domain:** Governance

**Superintendent Leadership Quality Standard (SLQS)**

SLQS Competencies ([SLOS](#) / [Board Policy 700](#)):  
Building Effective Relationships  
Supporting Effective Governance

**Subject:** **Morinville Traffic Bylaw**

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**Purpose:**

For information.

**Background:**

Recent changes have been made to the Town of Morinville's Traffic Safety Bylaws. The attached information is being provided to the Board to communicate how these changes will affect the Morinville area, in addition to Transportation Services.

As a result of the changes to the bylaws, Transportation Services relocated two bus stop locations.

- The first bus stop, previously located on 100 Street, was relocated to 107 Ave off of 100 Street which impacted École Morinville Public School and Four Winds Public School students.
- The second stop, located on 100 Ave, was relocated to 99 Street off of 100 Ave which impacted Sturgeon Composite High School students.

This information was communicated to bus operators and families for the start of the 2023-2024 school year. There were minimal concerns with the bus stop location changes.

Administration is prepared to respond to questions at the November 29, 2023, Public Board meeting.



**Attachment(s):**

1. Traffic Safety Bylaw Approval Letter
2. Traffic Bylaw Utility Insert

October 30, 2023

**To Whom It May Concern:**

At the August 22, 2023, Regular Meeting of Council, Morinville Council approved 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading of Traffic Safety Bylaw 4/2023.

Changes that have been implemented this fall include:

- School buses: eliminating flashing light pickups on 100 Avenue and 100 Street
- School zones: change from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on normal operational school days
- Jaywalking: outline clear expectations for pedestrians
- Bike helmets: mandatory for youth (18 and under) using any form of wheeled travel including chariots.
- Bikes on sidewalks: change travel on sidewalks for youth under 16 to youth under 18 and accompanying adults.
- Snow removal: non-residential properties change to 48 hours for snow removal. Residential sidewalks remain at 72 hours.

Additional amendments to the Traffic Safety Bylaw will be implemented in Spring and Summer of 2024.

The changes made to the Traffic Safety Bylaw support a safer community, a goal within Council's Strategic Plan focusing on community safety and wellbeing.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me at:

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# Recommended Changes to Morinville's Traffic Safety Bylaw 24/2012

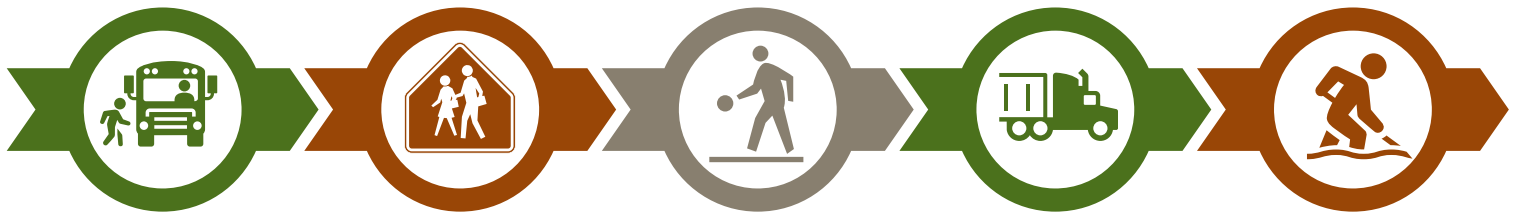
We are working through the process of updating the Traffic Safety Bylaw. 3rd reading will be before Council on Tuesday, August 22, 2023, with recommended changes.

## Why are we recommending changes to the bylaw?

The existing bylaw has not been updated since 2013. In our Strategic Plan, Goal 2 is focused on community safety and wellbeing. The recommended changes to the existing bylaw support a safer community.

## How will these changes be enforced?

As this new bylaw comes into effect, there will be an education component.



### School Bus

Eliminate flashing light pickups on 100 Avenue and 100 Street.

#### Reason

Improve safety.  
Efficiency of motorists.  
Unnecessary stops heavily impact rush hour traffic.

**Expected implementation**  
Fall 2023.

### School Zone

Change from 7:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. to 7:30 a.m.–4 p.m. on normal operational school days.

#### Reason

Increase efficiency of motorists. School operations conclude well before 4:30. Limited pedestrian activity between 4–4:30 p.m.

**Expected implementation**  
Fall 2023.

### Playground Zone

Change from 7:30 a.m.–one hour after sunset to 8 a.m.–8 p.m. daily.

#### Reason

Increase safety of users of parks and playgrounds and to standardize drivers expectations for slower speeds.

**Expected implementation**  
Spring 2024.

### Truck and Dangerous Goods Route

New truck route: 100 Avenue and access to industrial/commercial properties south of the railroad tracks.

#### Reason

Infrastructure protection and traffic efficiency. Will not impact the delivery of goods or servicing of the vehicles.

**Expected implementation**  
Summer 2024.

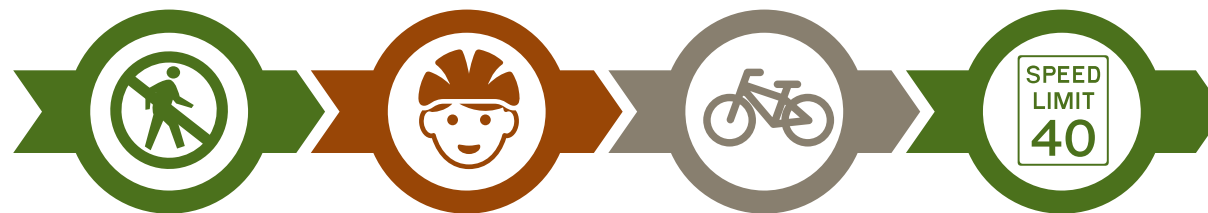
### Snow Removal

Non-residential properties change to 48 hours for snow removal. Residential sidewalks remain at 72 hours.

#### Reason

Increase safety for busier travelled sidewalks to protect against slips and falls.

**Expected implementation**  
Fall 2024.



### Jaywalking

Outline clear expectations for pedestrian crossings.

#### Reason

Safety of pedestrians.

**Expected implementation**  
Fall 2023.

### Bike Helmets

Mandatory for all youth (18 and under) using any form of wheeled travel including chariots.

#### Reason

Reduce traumatic brain injuries. Would follow current provincial legislation.

**Expected implementation**  
Fall 2023.

### Bikes on Sidewalks

Change travel on sidewalks for youth under 16 to youth under 18 and accompanying adults.

#### Reason

Allows anyone to assist with learning and safe bicycle travel.

**Expected implementation**  
Fall 2023.

### Speed Limit

40 km/hr on all local roads, not including 100 Avenue, 100 Street, Cardiff Road and East Boundary Road.

#### Reason

Increase pedestrian safety. Promote multi-modal transportations. Reduce noise.

**Expected implementation**  
Summer 2024.

## How will this affect my commute?

A change from 50 km/hr to 40 km/hr is a difference of under 2 seconds for every 100 metres travelled. The longest, most direct route in Morinville from a residence to a 50 km/hr road is measured at 1500 metres. The commute difference would be an extra 27 seconds, one way.