



REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: May 26, 2025

TOWN OF CLARESHOLM TRAFFIC SAFETY PLAN

DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND:

At the May 12, 2025, Council meeting, a motion was carried to begin application for the Peace Officer program. One of the requirements is to have a 3-year Traffic Safety Plan. The Development Department has drafted the attached in consultation with the RCMP. The RCMP have noted the plan is straight forward and to the point. Their members do enforcement within the community and surrounding MD, however typical workloads and staffing issues have precluded them from getting out as often as they would like and are often called to more serious matters. A Peace Officer program in Town can assist with traffic enforcement, parking, school zone safety, and other education programs. Other agencies such as Alberta Sheriffs can also be in the area from time to time, but they cannot be relied upon for regular enforcement. This Traffic Plan will be submitted with the application for authorization to employ Peace Officers to the Province.

The Town has had previous versions of traffic safety plans, the attached plan has been updated, new stats as well as recommendations for enforcement, areas of concern, partnerships and priorities are noted within the new, draft plan. The number one priority being the safety of motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians.

The goals and objectives within the plan are (the 5 E's):

- Education – speed and safety programs
- Enforcement – traffic enforcement
- Engineering – design for safety and efficiency
- Evaluation – identify concerns
- Engagement – work together to resolve concerns

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS:

Moved by Councillor _____ to adopt the Town of Claresholm Traffic Safety Plan as presented.

ATTACHMENT:

- 1.) Draft Traffic Safety Plan dated May 2025.

APPLICABLE LEGISLATION:

- 1.) N/A

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DATE: May 22, 2025
