



GLEN FALLS SCHOOL

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Dear Councillor Stewart,

I am writing regarding concerns about the designation of the zone for Tim Street. This street is not currently a school zone, although it is directly beside Glen Falls School. The speed of the street is zoned for a normal city street, but we would like to have it changed to a school zone with the appropriate signage.

Glen Falls is an elementary school with a student body of 130 students. During the Covid pandemic, the school altered the dismissal process for students to allow for better social distancing. All students that walk home or are picked up at the end of the day, are dismissed onto Tim Street.

When we first made changes to our dismissal procedures, the school's PSSC lobbied the city to have the sidewalk plowed on Tim Street to help with the dismissal. We created a petition that had over 100 signatures in support of this request. We also had several parents, staff members, and concerned neighbours, who went online and filled out the required documentation for a request for service. The city was very supportive and did start plowing the sidewalk along Tim Street to accommodate the school.

Our concern about the speed of cars on Tim Street has been increasing. Tim Street is busy, and cars often use Tim Street as a shortcut to access Golden Grove Road. At dismissal, parents are required to park on both sides of the road, so parents and children are required to cross the street. We have serious concerns that someone may get hit by a car that is speeding past.

This topic has been raised to me by several different methods. I have had several parents and staff members approach me at the school. We have discussed it at length at our Parent School Support Committee meetings, and I am aware that it had also been raised as a concern on the neighbourhood Facebook page. Many of those I have spoken to have reached out to the city using the requests for service online and have also reached out directly to city staff and city Councillors.

The priority of our school is to keep our students safe. We feel Tim Street, with its current designation, is creating an unsafe environment beside the school. Any support you can give us, in having the area changed to a school zone would be welcomed.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Colleen Sullivan
Principal Glen Falls School