



# Resident Deputation Regarding Stop Sign On William Booth Avenue

## Resident Response To Staff Recommendation

### Overview

- Residents are extremely disappointed in the recommendation.
- The need for the all way stop is urgent.
- Safety issues were not included in the report.

### Factors Not Considered

- The future school is PROPOSED, not confirmed.
- Tango Cres is not a through road, Only residents access it.
- Knapton has become a major feeder road at both ends.
- Knapton/William Booth Volume far exceeds Tango/William Booth.
- **Knapton/William Booth is a pickup point for several school busses.**
  - Students East of the intersection MUST cross William Booth to get there.
- The width of William Booth makes crossing the road dangerous.
- Sightlines and right of way are critical safety issues at this intersection.
- Other lower volume intersections do have all way stops.

### Resident Engagement

- Initial deposition considered all factors and was an honest request, with suggestions.
- A petition was completed and submitted showing the support of local residents.
- When staff issued a notice for feedback, I went door to door to provide everyone with copies.
- Residents sent in email support for the request.
- Copies were also posted at all mailboxes in the neighbourhood.
- Everything about this request was clear, organized and textbook in nature.
- We feel that there is nothing more we could have done to ensure the success of this request.
- This request should have been a home run, as it was without a doubt common-sense in nature.

### Similar Intersections

#### *Equipped with All Way Stops*

- Knapton & Alfred Smith
- Alfred Smith & Matthew Boyd
- Bonshaw & Coachwhip
- Aspenwood & Coachwhip
- Ford Wilson & Carlissa Run



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Our request to the Town was to relocate the stop signs from Tango to Knapton due to the following:

- More pedestrians crossing in the east-west direction including school kids. (Walking to Alexander Muir)
- It is a 4-leg intersection, which makes more sense to have as an all way (hence, more conflict points)
- Sightlines concerns for both NB and SB approaches (hence, the report did not include a discussion about sightlines)
- WBLT and EBRT traffic from Knapton to William Booth have to come to a complete stop again at Tango after they stopped at William Booth (distance between intersections is only 55m)
- Consideration for future stop signs on William Booth at either Vantage Loop or Vivant St would make a better spacing between stop signs.
- The Town could have justified the relocation of the stop signs in their report.
- The report only takes into consideration current traffic volumes but does not consider safety and future volume.
- The report acknowledges that the volume has spiked and will continue to rise with development.
- The report makes assumptions on the actual layout of school entrances, however the school and site plan have not even been proposed.
- The report fails to consider that having an all way stop sign at a school is NOT a best practice, and only exists at 4 out of 29 schools in town.
- The report fails to consider the width of William Booth and the safety issues associated with crossing time.
- The report does not acknowledge other all way stops at intersections in the neighborhood with similar volume.

