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Her Worship  
Mayor Val van den Broek  
City of Langley  
20399 Douglas Crescent  
Langley BC V3A 4B3

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Dear Mayor van den Broek,

**Re: Municipal Speed Limits**

Thank you for the letter sent by Kelly Kenney, Corporate Officer, sharing with me the resolution of City of Langley Council on residential speed limits.

Safety is our top priority, and I recognize speed limits play an important role in keeping everyone safe. The ministry is considering the request to amend statutory speed limits in the MVA; however, such a change would represent a significant policy and regulatory shift that would affect all road users.

As you likely know, the provincial government amended the MVA last year to allow for pilot projects that would research, test and evaluate new regulatory approaches to matters not currently set out in the MVA framework. Pilot projects will provide opportunities for the provincial government to work with local communities to support active transportation and better protect vulnerable road users.

The first phase of pilot projects in 2020 will focus on the use of emerging zero-emission mobility devices, such as e-scooters. A second phase of pilot projects could allow the ministry to work with interested municipalities to lower the default speed limit on their streets.

The ministry is accepting proposals for the first phase of pilot projects until 4 p.m. on March 6, 2020, for potential implementation in summer 2020. More information on the pilot projects and a proposal package for interested communities is available through the ministry's website at:

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020TRAN0005-000033>

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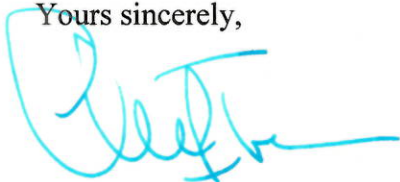
The ministry looks forward to working with communities like yours to expand the use of active transportation and keep pedestrians, cyclists and other road users safe. If you have any questions about the pilot projects, please contact the ministry at 236 478-0460 or at [MVA.Pilot.Project@gov.bc.ca](mailto:MVA.Pilot.Project@gov.bc.ca).

As you may be aware, my colleague the Honourable Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, is also working to improve road safety. In 2019, RoadSafetyBC implemented the Intersection Safety Camera program, an initiative that has proved very successful in reducing crashes at high-risk intersections with cross traffic. After the successful 100 per cent activation of red-light cameras at 140 of B.C.'s most crash-prone, dangerous intersections, the Province announced it would be taking further action by adding automated speed enforcement technology at 35 high-speed and high-crash Intersection Safety Camera locations. To learn more, you can read the news release at: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2019PSSG0047-000861>.

Additionally, RoadSafetyBC expanded the provincial Administrative Driving Prohibition program following the federal legalization of cannabis. The program expanded to include drug-affected driving, extended zero tolerance provisions for drivers in the graduated licensing program to apply to drugs, strengthened and enhanced review processes for 24-hour prohibitions, and aligned the MVA with amendments to the Criminal Code contained in Bill C-46.

Thank you again for taking the time to write.

Yours sincerely,



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Minister

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