

SECTION: BYLAW ENFORCEMENT	SUBJECT: ROAD AND TRAFFIC SIGNS SPEED ZONES
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**Road and Traffic Signs**

It is the policy of the County of Warner No. 5 to allow for the placement of traffic signs along public road allowances in order to promote and increase safety on public roadways.

**Guidelines**

1. The County must approve all signs which are to be located within all road allowances.
2. The County is responsible for the supply and installation of general traffic signs as it deems necessary and these signs include, but are not limited to, Stop, Yield, Speed Zones, Texas Gates, School Bus Loading and others as may be required.
3. Stop, Yield and Speed Zone signs must be brought before Council and passed by resolution before being added to the Traffic Control Bylaw 731.
4. Standards of development and guidelines for the placement of traffic signs, as outlined by Alberta Transportation and/or provincial statute, will be considered and may act as a guideline, unless legislated, along with the specific needs of the area, for the location and types of signs to be erected.
5. The procedures for the approval of general traffic signs requested by the public are as follows:
  - a. A written request to the Bylaw Officer must be made for a sign. The request shall indicate the suggested wording along with the legal location for the sign to be placed.
  - b. The Bylaw Officer will inspect the location and determine the proper wording and indicate whether the sign is required or not.
  - c. If, in the opinion of the Bylaw Officer, a sign is warranted, the County will be responsible to supply and install the sign. However in the case of Stop, Yield and Speed Zone signs, Clause 3 above comes into effect.
  - d. If, in the opinion of the Bylaw Officer, a sign is not warranted, and the applicant disagrees, he may appeal the decision of the Bylaw Officer directly to the County Council.
  - e. The decision of the County Council is final.
6. The criteria and procedures for the approval of Speed Zone traffic signs requested by the public are as follows:
  - a. The County Council recognizes that each public roadway is unique with regards to type and amount of traffic and therefore it is at the sole discretion of Council as to whether or not a speed zone will be established.

- b. The Bylaw Officer is responsible to review public roadways and the need for speed zones. However, upon receiving requests from either the general public or a County Councillor, to implement a speed zone, the Bylaw Officer will investigate the concerns.
- c. Upon investigating the concerns, the Bylaw Officer will make a recommendation to the County Council to implement a speed zone or not.
- d. If County Council approves the speed zone, a resolution will be passed and an appropriate amendment to the Traffic Control Bylaw 731 will be incorporated.
- e. Areas of most concern, such as county public roadways within approximately a mile radius of each urban community, will be evaluated and a speed zone(s) considered based on the type and the amount of traffic. If an area is congested with numerous places of business, residences, side roads and approaches, and traffic patterns cause need for concern, speed zones may be incorporated for increased safety.
- f. The decision of the County Council is final.