## TOWN OF SHELBURNE



## **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

No. 2025-164

Date: October 6, 2025

Moved by: Councillor Guchardi

Seconded by: Councillor Benotto

**Whereas** the Province of Ontario filed enabling regulations in December 2019, to prescribe the locations, fines, and signage for municipalities to utilize Automated Speed Enforcement Cameras (ASE) as a tool to address speeding and improve public safety.

**Whereas** the Province's ASE legislative framework, together with provincial encouragement in 2019, has led municipalities such as Shelburne to implement ASE technology, implemented on September 5, 2025, to improve safety, reduce speeding, and prevent serious collisions and fatalities.

**Whereas** the Provincial government, through the Ministry of Transportation, is responsible for the legislation, regulations and program standards governing municipal ASE programs.

**Whereas** some municipalities have implemented ASE incorrectly, Shelburne is part of the vast majority of municipalities who have implemented best practices endorsed by the Ministry of Transportation and the Ontario Traffic Council - including speed thresholds - that prioritize public safety, resulting in safer roads. **Whereas** the Province of Ontario is charging provincial fees and charges for every ASE ticket and collecting an estimated 20 to 30 percent in fees from each ASE ticket revenue.

**Whereas** reducing vehicle speeds helps create calmer, safer neighbourhoods that encourage people to use active forms of transportation and to be active in their communities.

**Whereas** Shelburne is working to improve road safety and supports Vision Zero, through its ASE program and complementary traffic-calming measures such as speed cushions, road bollards, curb enhancements, addition of on street parking, enhanced pedestrian cross over lighting and additional signage, in order to reduce speeds, prevent collisions, and promote lawful driving behaviour.

**Whereas** consistent with local, regional, national and international research by third parties including Sick Kids & Toronto Metropolitan University, the Canadian

Automobile Association, the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police, the Traffic Injury Research Foundation, and the Ontario Traffic Council; the Town of Shelburne's ASE program has resulted in significant reductions in speed, increased speed compliance in Community Safety, and changes in driver behaviour.

**Whereas** municipalities like Shelburne were caught off guard by the Premier's sudden announcement to cancel ASE programs across the province, made without adequate notice and consultation.

**Whereas** the Premier's concerns regarding ASE can be addressed through amendments to provincial legislation, regulations and program standards that enable municipalities to consistently utilize ASE, without an outright ban on the technology.

## Now therefore be it resolved:

- 1. That Shelburne Town Council formally opposes the Province's decision to abruptly cancel ASE, a public safety tool enabled through provincial regulations in December 2019; and,
- 2. That a letter from Council be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Deputy Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Transportation, and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing outlining Shelburne's position, calling for the continuation of ASE, and Shelburne Council request that the Premier meet with Mayors, and other municipal leaders to negotiate consistent implementation across municipalities that utilizes best practices to uphold the public safety benefits of ASE; and,
- 3. That the Town of Shelburne request the Provincial government to amend their legislation, regulations and program standards governing ASE as follows:
  - a. Eliminate provincial fees and charges from ASE tickets, including:
    - MTO fee, currently \$8.25 per ticket, for providing registered license plate owner information
    - Victim surcharge fee ranging from \$10 to \$125 or 25% of the fine for speeding offences greater than \$1,000; and
- 4. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Deputy Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, all Ontario Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP), and the Ontario Traffic Council.

Requested	Vote to	be	recorded	[	X	] Yes	[	] No

	Yea	Nay	Absent
Mayor Mills	[ X ]	[ ]	
Deputy Mayor Hall	[ ]	[ ]	[ X ]
Councillor Benotto	[ X ]	ĹĴ	
Councillor Fegan	[ X ]	[ ]	
Councillor Guchardi	[ X ]	[ ]	
Councillor Sample	[ ]	[ ]	[ X ]
Councillor Wegener	[ X ]	[ ]	