

2021 Automated Traffic Enforcement Annual Report

MORINVILLE ENFORCEMENT SERVICES

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RE: 2021 Automated Traffic Report Town of Morinville

On behalf of the Town of Morinville and Global Traffic Group Ltd., please find the attached 2021 Automated Traffic Enforcement Annual Report.

Should you have any questions about this report please contact me directly.

Respectfully,

CPO Sgt. William Norton Enforcement Services Supervisor

1. CURRENT COMMUNITY PEACE OFFICERS (CPO)

The Town of Morinville Automated Traffic Enforcement Program currently holds 10 CPO appointments.

Name	CPO Number	Responsibility	
Holly WESTOVER	16551	Automated Traffic Enforcement Operator	
Paul Peters	18104	Automated Traffic Enforcement Operator	
Scott STEEVES	15968	Automated Traffic Enforcement Operator	
Drew KURIE	15967	Automated Traffic Enforcement Operator	
Cynthia HUBER	15965	Automated Traffic Enforcement Operator	
Monique D'AOUST	15964	Automated Traffic Enforcement Operator	
Teena SELLECK	16953	Automated Traffic Enforcement Operator	
Amanda YARDLEY	15960	Automated Traffic Enforcement Operator	
Brent BACHMAN	15962	Automated Traffic Enforcement Operator	
Tracy KIRK	17066	Automated Traffic Enforcement Operator	

2. OVERVIEW OF THE ATE PROGRAM

Automated Traffic Enforcement (ATE) continues to play an active role in our community by reducing speeds. The current Traffic Safety Plan identifies that speeds are a factor in increased injury and damage in collisions. In addition to conventional law enforcement through the Town's police service (RCMP) and Community Peace Officers, ATE is used to carry out enforcement of speed violations. As well, The Traffic Safety Plan emphasizes the importance of school zone safety. ATE is routinely used in school and playground zones, in Morinville, to bring about awareness of speed violations in these higher-risk locations.

All locations (or "zones") where ATE is used are approved by the Detachment Commander of the Morinville RCMP, based on data that aligns with the Alberta Justice and Solicitor General's Automated Traffic Enforcement Technology Guideline. For each location, a "justification sheet" is completed. The last review was completed by the RCMP in May 2019. Morinville maintains a list of all locations approved and used. This list is publicly available on the Town of Morinville's website, located at www.morinville.ca. The Town also provides public access to the justification sheets and supporting data through its website, where users can access an interactive map.

All roadway signage is reviewed annually by the Town and the ATE contractor to ensure that all locations are signed as required by the Guidelines.

Current collision data on each of the specific locations were not readily available to the Town in 2021, and not directly factored into the justification. However, overall collision observations and anecdotal collision information from the RCMP was considered.

The Town of Morinville also utilizes driver feedback display signs to inform drivers of their speed and to provide a warning to drivers to slow down if their vehicle is speeding. There are 5 permanently mounted signs in key locations and 3 rotating signs that are moving to identified areas of concern. There has been a reduction of speed-related ATE tickets in the corresponding zones. These signs also record and collect traffic data, and based on this data, there still are a significant number of violations occurring in these areas.

3. OVERVIEW OF THE ATE PROGRAM OVERVIEW OF SERVICES PROVIDED BY MORINVILLE AUTOMATED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

In 2009 the Town of Morinville began an Automated Traffic Enforcement Program under contract with Global/Independent Traffic Services of Edmonton. The only service provided by these CPOs is photo laser enforcement. The CPO's employed by Global Traffic Group is supervised by Larry Bellows who works closely with the Town and RCMP on all matters related to the Peace Officers and automated enforcement.

Operationally, the CPO works on a full-time basis to provide up to 16-20 hours of enforcement per month on various days and at various times of the day. All enforcement is in accordance with the Alberta Automated Enforcement Guidelines and all training has been conducted to exceed the standards set out in the Alberta Automated Enforcement Training Guidelines.

A list of enforcement and enforcement related activities includes:

Training Provincial Radar/Laser; equipment specific G2H; court procedures; officer safety; vehicle operations; camera operations; electronic ticket processing and officer notes; computer and database operations; speed laws; practical field study; dealing with emergencies; review of the automated enforcement and automated enforcement training guidelines.

Enforcement All CPO's complete a minimum of 16 hours of on the road mentoring with a qualified instructor. Enforcement operations are conducted in preselected and RCMP approved locations which are in accordance with the automated enforcement guidelines.

Statistics

- Automated Traffic Enforcement Tickets Issued: 241;
- Average speed captured: 13.33 km/h over the limit;
- Maximum Speed recorded and violation ticket issued: 83 km/h in a 50 km/h zone; B22258832S
- Court appearances: 4;
- 1 incidents of people approaching enforcement vehicle;
- 55 tickets were quashed or withdrawn (most COVID related);
- 0 tickets received reduced fine amounts from the Prosecutor;
- Average fine amount: \$128.02

Statistics of ATE in Morinville, for the past 3 years (2017 – 2019):

Year	Total Tickets	Total Hours	Tickets Per Hour
2021	241	168.40	1.4
2020	597	147.75	4.0
2019	3151	1060	3.0
2018	1870	1232	1.5

Report Prepared By

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