TOWN OF WAINWRIGHT
BYLAW 2026 – 06

A Bylaw of the Town of Wainwright in the Province of Alberta to provide for the regulation, control and management of vehicle traffic in Playground and School zones on highways within the Town.

WHEREAS the Traffic Safety Act, R.S.A. 2000, Chapter T-6 and amendments thereto, provides that a municipality may make bylaws to regulate, manage and control vehicle traffic in Playground and School zones located on highways within the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Government Act,* R.S.A. 2000, and amendments thereto, gives a municipality certain powers with respect to highways within the municipality;

NOW THEREFORE, the Town of Wainwright desires to establish and control the hours of operation for Playground and School zones within the municipality and enacts as follows:

1. TITLE

This Bylaw shall be known as the "Playground and School Zones Bylaw".

2. DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this Bylaw:

"Council" means the Council of the Town of Wainwright.

"Playground zone hours" means the hours and days as specified in Section 4 of this Bylaw.

"Playground zone" means an area of highway within the Town of Wainwright near a park or recreational facility which is identified by traffic control devices.

"Playground zone signs" means traffic control devices placed for the purpose of identifying the commencement and end of a Playground zone and the periods of time within which the prescribed speed limits are in effect within the Town of Wainwright.

"School hours" means the hours and days as specified in Section 4 of this Bylaw.

"School zone" means an area of highway within the Town of Wainwright near a school property which is identified by traffic control devices.

"School zone signs" means traffic control devices placed for the purpose of identifying the commencement and end of a School zone and the periods of time within which the prescribed speed limits are in effect within the Town of Wainwright.

3. DESIGNATION OF PLAYGROUND AND SCHOOL ZONES

3.1 Council has the authority to establish the location of Playground and School zones within this Bylaw.

3.2 Designated Playground and School zones will be marked with the necessary signs at the beginning and end of each zone as per the attached Schedule B. The Director of Public Works is

responsible for the ordering, installation, and maintenance of all required Playground and School zone signs.

3.3 A full listing of Playground and School zones is outlined in Schedule A.

4. PLAYGROUND AND SCHOOL ZONE HOURS

Playground and School zone hours established for the purposes of traffic control within the Town of Wainwright shall be continuous between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. each calendar day of the year.

5. SCHOOL ZONE SPEED

The speed limit in Playground and School zones shall be a maximum of 30 kilometers per hour, during Playground and School zone hours.

When Playground and School zones are not in effect, the speed limit will be a maximum of 50 kilometers per hour.

6. SEVERABILITY

Should any provision of this Bylaw be invalid, then the invalid provision shall be severed, and the remainder of this Bylaw shall be maintained.

7. REPEAL

This Bylaw shall repeal Bylaw 2026-03.

8. EFFECTIVE DATE

This bylaw shall come into full force and effect upon passing of the third reading.

READ a first time in Council this 17th day of November, 2026.

READ a second time in Council this 17th day of November, 2026.

READ a third and final time in Council this 17th day of November, 2026.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

SCHEDULE A
PLAYGROUND AND SCHOOL DESIGNATIONS, LOCATIONS AND MAP

PLAYGROUND ZONES

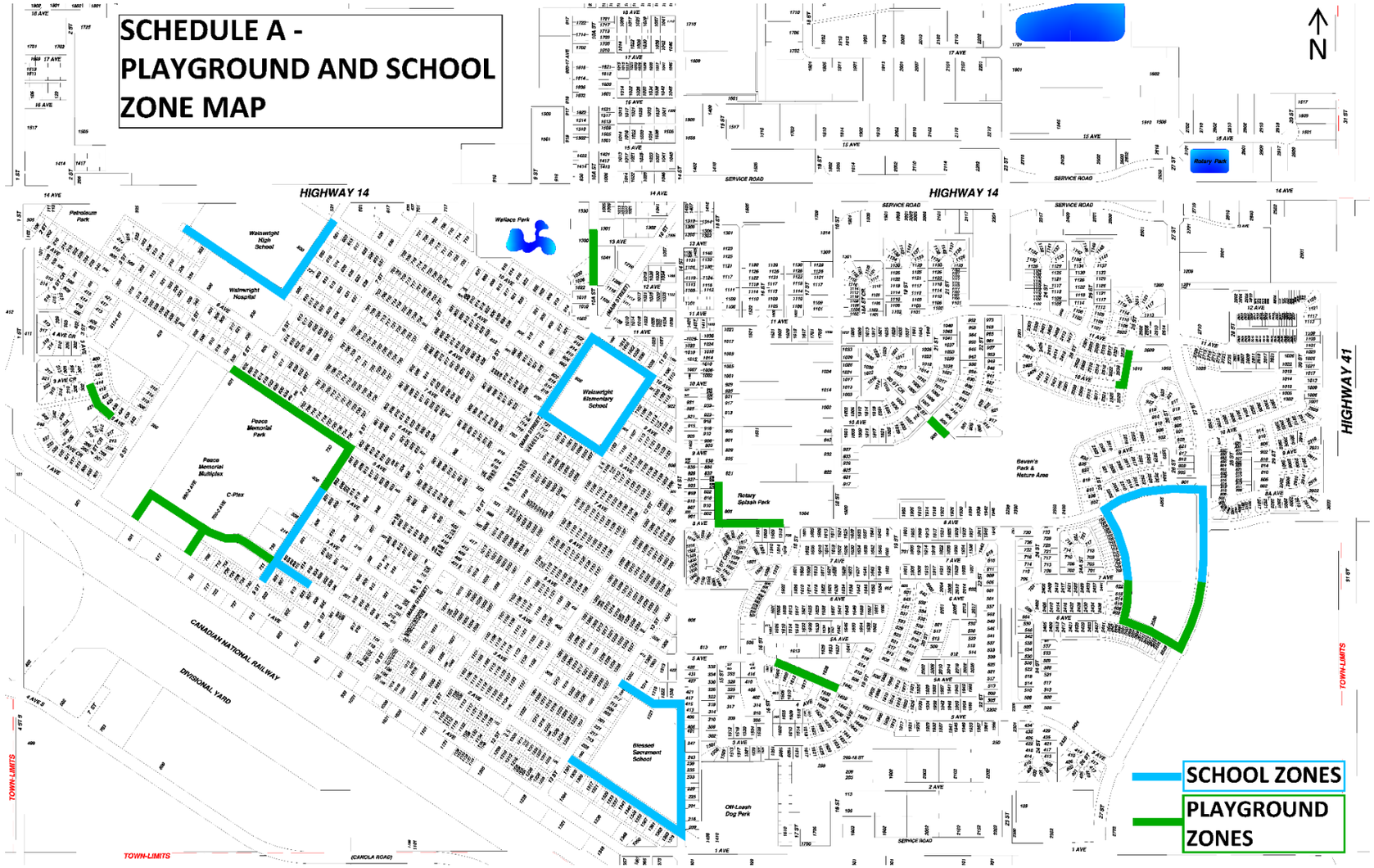
- 3rd Avenue Tot Lot (421 – 3 Avenue)
- 5th Avenue Park (1626 – 5 Avenue)
- Bevan's Park (900 – 20 Street)
- Middlemass Park (805 – 15 Street)
- Kinsmen Park (1015 – 26 Street)
- Peace Memorial Park and Rotary Skate Park (733 – 5 Avenue)
- Peace Memorial Multiplex (650 – 2 Avenue)
- Rotary All-Seasons Park (2500 – 6 Avenue)
- Wainwright and District Communiplex (700 – 2 Avenue)
- Wallace Park (1300 – 10A Street)

SCHOOL ZONES

- Blessed Sacrament School (1321 – 4 Avenue)
- Blessed Sacrament Outreach School (801 – 2 Avenue)
- Ecole Saint-Christophe (214 – 8 Street)
- Wainwright Elementary School (905 – 10 Street)
- Wainwright Elementary School (2501 – 8 Avenue)
- Wainwright High School (800 – 6 Street)

See Attached Playground and School Zone Map

SCHEDULE A - PLAYGROUND AND SCHOOL ZONE MAP



SCHEDULE B
PLAYGROUND AND SCHOOL ZONE SIGNS



Playground Zone

When you approach a Playground zone sign with a posted maximum speed, you are entering a Playground zone. You must not exceed the posted speed when the zone is in effect. Exceeding the posted speed limit can result in penalties under the Traffic Safety Act.

You are not permitted to pass or attempt to pass another vehicle travelling in the same direction within a Playground zone.



Playground Area

When you approach a Playground zone sign without a speed sign attached to it, you are entering a playground area. This sign is to alert drivers that children may be walking or crossing the road and you must use caution when driving through the playground area.

You are not permitted to pass or attempt to pass another vehicle travelling in the same direction within a playground area.



School Zone

When you approach a School zone sign with a posted maximum speed, you are entering a School zone. You must not exceed the posted speed when the zone is in effect. Exceeding the posted speed limit can result in penalties under the Traffic Safety Act.

You are not permitted to pass or attempt to pass another vehicle travelling in the same direction within a School zone.



School Area

When you approach a School zone sign without a speed sign attached to it, you are entering a school area. This sign is to alert drivers that children may be walking or crossing the road and you must use caution when driving through the school area.

You are not permitted to pass or attempt to pass another vehicle travelling in the same direction within a school area.



Playground and School Zone Ends

Playground and School zones end where a traffic sign indicates:

- A higher maximum speed, or
- The end of the playground or school zone.