

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - JUNE 21, 2004

PIKAKE COURT PROPOSED PARKING PROHIBITION

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works in consultation with the Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services recommends:

That a Parking prohibition on Pikake Court not be implemented to control the activity of parking in front of driveways.

Purpose

This information is provided in response to Council direction at its meeting of April 19, 2004, requesting staff to provide a report on the installation of a "No Parking" sign at the end of Pikake Court.

Background - Analysis and Options

Engineering staff received a request from an area resident expressing concerns regarding parked vehicles along the "bulb" section of the cul-de-sac, specifically blocking the residential driveway at #40 Pikake Court. Pikake Court is an unassumed local cul-de-sac roadway with an existing pavement width of 8 metres, which allows for one parking lane and two travel lanes. Currently, not all of the driveways on Pikake Court are paved with asphalt. The area is shown in Attachment No. 1

Staff conducted a traffic investigation during the morning and afternoon periods regarding the parking activities on Pikake Court. It was noted that vehicles were parked during the observed times along the "bulb" section of the cul-de-sac blocking the resident's driveway.

Engineering Staff offered to contact the By-Law Enforcement Department with respect to the parked vehicles blocking the resident's driveway. Staff explained to the resident that the City typically do not post "No Parking" signs on a cul-de-sac to control the activity of parked vehicles in front of driveways. Furthermore, the restricted parking on one side of the roadway may possibly create concerns for the entire street.

In accordance with the general stopping and parking regulations under the City's Comprehensive Parking By-Law 1-96 Section 4 (7) Subsection (c), "No person shall park vehicle on a highway in front of or within six (6) metres of a private roadway." This general regulation of the parking by-law is enforced by the City's By-Law Enforcement Department.

Therefore, it is staff's recommendation that a parking prohibition on Pikake Court not be implemented to control the activity of parking in front of driveways.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This traffic study is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2007 as to identify and implement innovative traffic management alternatives to improve general traffic safety (1.1.3).

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

Conclusion

Should any vehicles be parked across a driveway, blocking its access, the City's By-law Enforcement staff have the authority under existing By-law provisions to enforce this type of activity. Providing additional parking prohibitions on the roadway may potentially create concerns for the entire street. Therefore, it is staff's recommendation that a parking prohibition on Pikake court not be implemented to control the activity of parking in front of driveways.

Attachments

1. Location Map

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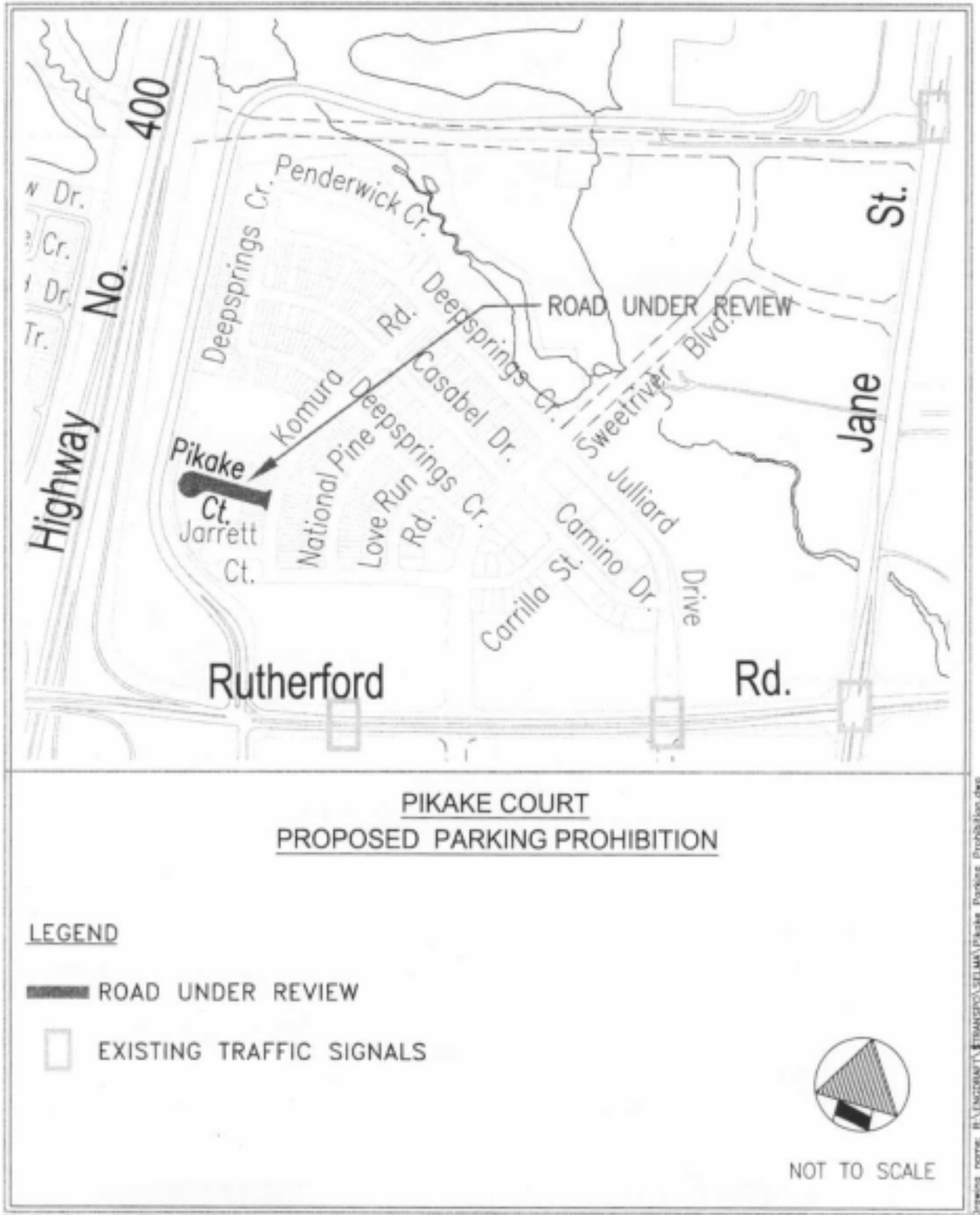
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ATTACHMENT No. 1



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