#### **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - JUNE 18, 2007**

# CIDERMILL AVENUE – PARKING PROJECT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Recommendation

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

- 1. That parking be allowed by Permit on Cidermill Avenue between Edgeley Boulevard and Millway Avenue for the hours 6:00 am to 6:00 pm, Monday to Friday inclusive, as posted;
- 2. That a monthly Permit fee of \$50 per parking space be approved and program be implemented; and
- 3. That the Parking Pilot project on Cidermill Avenue begin August 6, 2007 and run for a one year trial period.

## **Economic Impact**

There would be an impact to the 2007 Pavement Marking Contract. There will be maintenance costs for the purchase and installation of signs and the retracing of the pavement markings in future Budgets.

### **Communication Plan**

A meeting was held between the Local Councillor's Assistant, City staff and business representatives of Cidermill Avenue on May 17, 2007 to discuss the Parking Pilot Project. Staff will mail out a Notification to all the businesses on Cidermill Avenue advising them of start date of the project.

#### **Purpose**

To report on the Permit parking cost, project term, and other incidentals related to the Cidermill Avenue pilot project.

#### **Background - Analysis and Options**

Council, at its meeting of December 18, 2006 directed (See Attachment No. 2):

"2) That this be a pilot project for a maximum of one year and staff report back on the results of the pilot project."

Traffic Engineering staff reviewed the south side of the roadway to determine the number of parking spaces available and the exact limits of the parking area. It was determined that 35 parking spaces can be accommodated on the south side of the roadway.

The parking areas will be signed and the individual spaces will be painted. It was determined by the By-Law and Enforcement Services Department that a monthly Permit fee of \$50 per parking space is required to cover all associated costs with the implementation of this project. Permits may be purchased at Vaughan Civic Centre, Monday to Friday between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm.

## Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This traffic study is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2007 as to ensure enhanced safety standards are incorporated in community designs (1.1.2).

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council.

## **Regional Implications**

Not Applicable.

## **Conclusion**

Staff recommends that the parking pilot project be approved with the proposed permit fees for the implementation of designated on street Permit parking on Cidermill Avenue within the limits as posted..

## **Attachments**

- 1. Location Map
- Council Extract, Item 2, Report No. 46, of the Committee of the Whole, dated December 18, 2006

## Report prepared by:

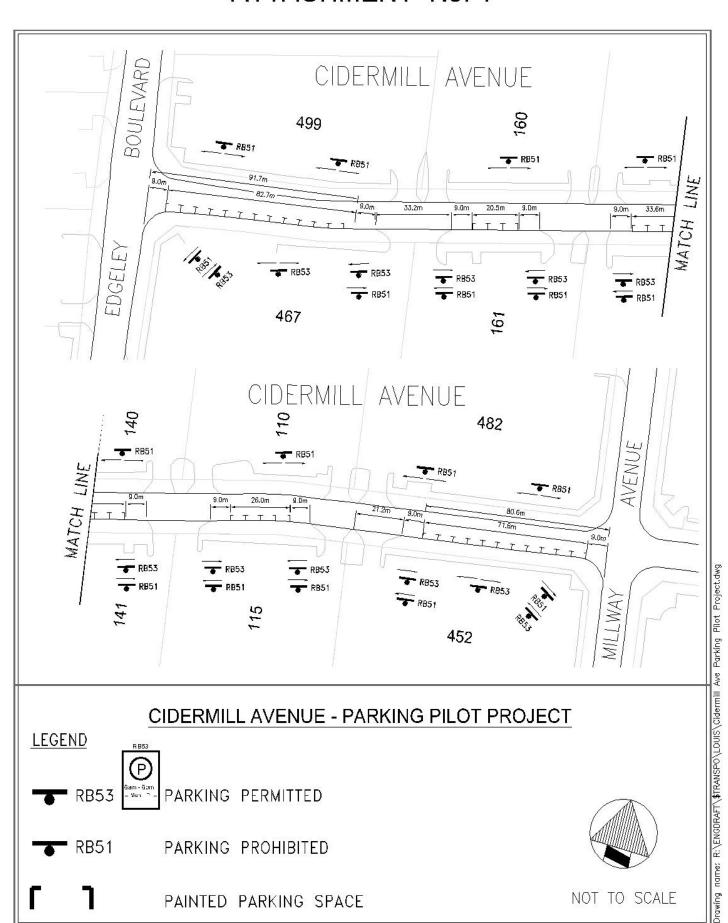
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Respectfully submitted,

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## ATTACHMENT No. 1



CITY OF VAUGHAN - ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

**RB51** 

PARKING PROHIBITED

PAINTED PARKING SPACE

DRAFTSPERSON: E.K.

NOT TO SCALE

## ATTACHMENT NO. 2

#### CITY OF VAUGHAN

#### **EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 18, 2006**

Item 2, Report No. 46, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on December 18, 2006.

#### 2 CIDERMILL AVENUE - ON STREET PARKING REVIEW

#### The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- That Clauses 1 and 2 of the recommendation contained in the following report of Councillor Yeung Racco, dated December 11, 2006, be approved, subject to a sign-off from all property owners and tenants abutting Cidermill Avenue; and
- That this be a pilot project for a maximum of one year and staff report back on the results of the pilot project.

#### Recommendation

Councillor Yeung Racco recommends:

- That an exemption to the maximum 3 hour limit be approved so as to permit on street parking from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the south side of Cidermill Avenue from 30 metres east of Edgeley Blvd to 30 metres west of Millway Avenue excluding the areas within 9 metres of driveway entrances;
- That the existing parking prohibition on the north side of Cidermill Avenue be extended to Millway Avenue; and
- That Engineering staff do the necessary studies to review the potential of installing pay and display parking on the south side of Cidermill Avenue as a pilot project for allowing all day on street parking in employment areas in the City of Vaughan.

#### **Economic Impact**

The installation of signs would be an impact to the 2006 Operating Budget, however, the cost can be absorbed in the approved budget.

#### <u>Purpose</u>

To provide an opportunity for area business employees to park their vehicles on Cidermill Avenue for periods in excess of the 3 hour maximum, during the work day.

#### **Background - Analysis and Options**

Cidermill Avenue is an industrial roadway that accommodates two travel lanes and two parking lanes. The existing speed limit on Cidermill Avenue is a statutory 50 km/hr. Currently, parking is allowed on the south side of Cidermill Avenue for a maximum of 3 hours as per the City Wide Consolidated Parking By-law.

Business owners at 499 Edgeley Boulevard are continuing to express concerns that there is not enough parking available at this location to accommodate both employee and customer parking. Previously, parking had been allowed on the south side of Cidermill Avenue from Edgeley Boulevard to the driveway of # 467 Edgeley Boulevard 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday. There is a parking prohibition, anytime, on the north side of Cidermill Avenue from Edgeley Boulevard to the driveway of # 499 Edgeley Boulevard.

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#### Item 2, CW Report No. 46 - Page 2

As a result of a complaint from an area business, the 3 hour maximum limit was reinstated by Council in October 2005 and reaffirmed by Council in May, 2006. Since the 3 hour maximum limit was reinstated on Cidermill Avenue, employees have been parking in fire routes and in spaces intended for visitors to businesses.

A meeting of local businesses was held during October 2006 to try to reach a solution to the ongoing concerns expressed both by persons wishing to have all day parking on the street and those opposed. Those opposed expressed concern that there had been double parking on the street while employees transferred equipment from their work vehicle to their personal vehicles and that cars had been parked too close to intersections and driveways.

At the meeting it was agreed if the safety hazards could be eliminated by ensuring no double parking and no blocking of driveway accesses, parking in excess of 3 hours would be acceptable on the south side of Cidermill. So that cars would not have to park close to driveways, the area where parking over 3 hour limit would be allowed could be extended east thereby providing more on street parking spaces.

At the meeting, the concern was also raised by those opposed that it was not the City's responsibility to provide parking for businesses. Therefore, the opportunity of a pay and display parking pilot project came up for the employment areas, with Cidermill Avenue being the test pilot for this project. As it was clear at the meeting that there are two groups divided on the issue of all day parking on Cidermill Avenue, it was thought that Pay and Display parking offered a fair and structured method for allowing parking on Cidermill Avenue.

Since October 2006, parking has been taking place on the south side of Cidermill Avenue on a trial basis for more then the 3 hour limit. Observations has shown that cars are being parked away from driveway entrances and in front of the buildings at # 115, 141 and 161 Cidermill and # 467 Edgeley. Double parking has not been reported. The parking activity has been conducted so as not to cause blocking of driveways or a hazard to vehicular traffic.

#### Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2007, "A", Serve our Citizens.

## Conclusion

From the meeting with area businesses, it is concluded that allowing temporary parking on the south side of Cidermill Avenue for periods in excess of 3 hours, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday will serve area businesses by ensuring that sufficient parking is available for employees and visitors and that fire routes around buildings will be kept free from parked vehicles. It is also concluded that the City would look at Pay and Display parking as a long-term solution for the parking issues on Cidermill Avenue.

## <u>Attachments</u>

#### 1. Location Map

(A copy of the attachments referred to in the foregoing have been forwarded to each Member of Council and a copy thereof is also on file in the office of the City Clerk.)