

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - MARCH 3, 2009

AVDELL AVENUE PARKING CONTROL REVIEW WARD 2

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

1. That By-law 1-96, the Consolidated Parking By-law, be amended to add a 'No Parking Anytime' prohibition on the north side of Avdell Avenue from the east limit of the east intersection of St. Michelle Place to the west limit of Clarence Street; and
2. That By-law 1-96, the Consolidated Parking By-law, be amended to add a 'No Parking Anytime' prohibition on the south side of Avdell Avenue from the east limit of the plaza driveway at #1160 Clarence Street to the west limit of Clarence Street.

Economic Impact

The cost to install the parking prohibition signs would be an initial impact on the 2009 Operating Budget. There are sufficient funds being allocated in the Draft Budget for this work. The on-going cost to maintain the signs would be incorporated in future Operating Budgets.

Communications Plan

Engineering Services staff will contact the resident with the direction from Council.

Purpose

To review the feasibility of implementing a 'No Parking' prohibition zone on the north and south sides of Avdell Avenue from St. Michelle Place to Clarence Street, in response to a request from an area resident.

Background - Analysis and Options

Staff received a concern from a resident on Avdell Avenue that vehicles including large trucks are parking on Avdell Avenue between St. Michelle Place and Clarence Street. Staff were advised that several vehicles do park for a long period of time especially the neighbour who parks his large truck directly in front of the resident's home. Engineering Services staff visited the site on two afternoon periods and observed no parked vehicles within these two areas. By-law Enforcement staff have also visited the site, however no vehicles were parked on the roadway when they arrived. Avdell Avenue is a minor collector roadway with a pavement width of 11.5 metres. The area is residential with a commercial plaza on the northwest and southwest corners of Clarence Street and Avdell Avenue. Refer to Attachment No.1.

Staff delivered the parking survey on October 24, 2008 to all five residences and to the commercial businesses on this section of Avdell Avenue. The survey requested a reply whether the resident agrees or disagrees with the proposal to add a 'No Parking' prohibition, and if the prohibitions should be installed on the north, south, or both sides of Avdell Avenue. Refer to the survey Attachment No. 2.

A total of five completed surveys were received. All of the returned surveys were completed by the residents and not the area businesses. Four of those surveyed agreed to the proposed parking prohibition installation (80% Agree), while one resident disagreed with the proposed

parking prohibition installation (20% Disagree). Of the four surveys returned that agreed with the proposed parking prohibition installation, three indicated their preference for both sides of the street, while one survey indicated their preference for the south side only.

Typically, in similar requests, a response percentage of 66% (two-thirds) would be required to initiate the change to remove existing parking prohibitions. Based on the survey results, staff recommends the installation of the 'No Parking' prohibitions as this minimum threshold value is met. Staff discussed the parking survey results with the Local Councillor.

Further input from the surveyed residents has indicated that their preference would be to install parking prohibitions for the north side of Avdell Avenue from St. Michelle Place to Clarence Street, and on the south side of Avdell Avenue from the commercial plaza driveway at #1160 Clarence Street to Clarence Street.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

Enhance and Ensure Community Safety, Health & Wellness – To advocate for, protect and enhance community safety, health and wellness through education, design and enforcement.

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

Regional Implications

Not Applicable.

Conclusion

Based on staff's review, it is recommended that a 'No Parking Anytime' prohibition be installed on the north side of Avdell Avenue from the east limit of the east intersection of St. Michelle Place to the west limit of Clarence Street.

It is also recommended that a 'No Parking Anytime' prohibition be installed on the south side of Avdell Avenue from the east limit of the plaza driveway at #1160 Clarence Street to the west limit of Clarence Street.

Attachments

1. Location Map
2. Survey titled 'Proposed Installation of Parking Prohibitions – Avdell Avenue Survey dated October 20, 2008.

Report prepared by:

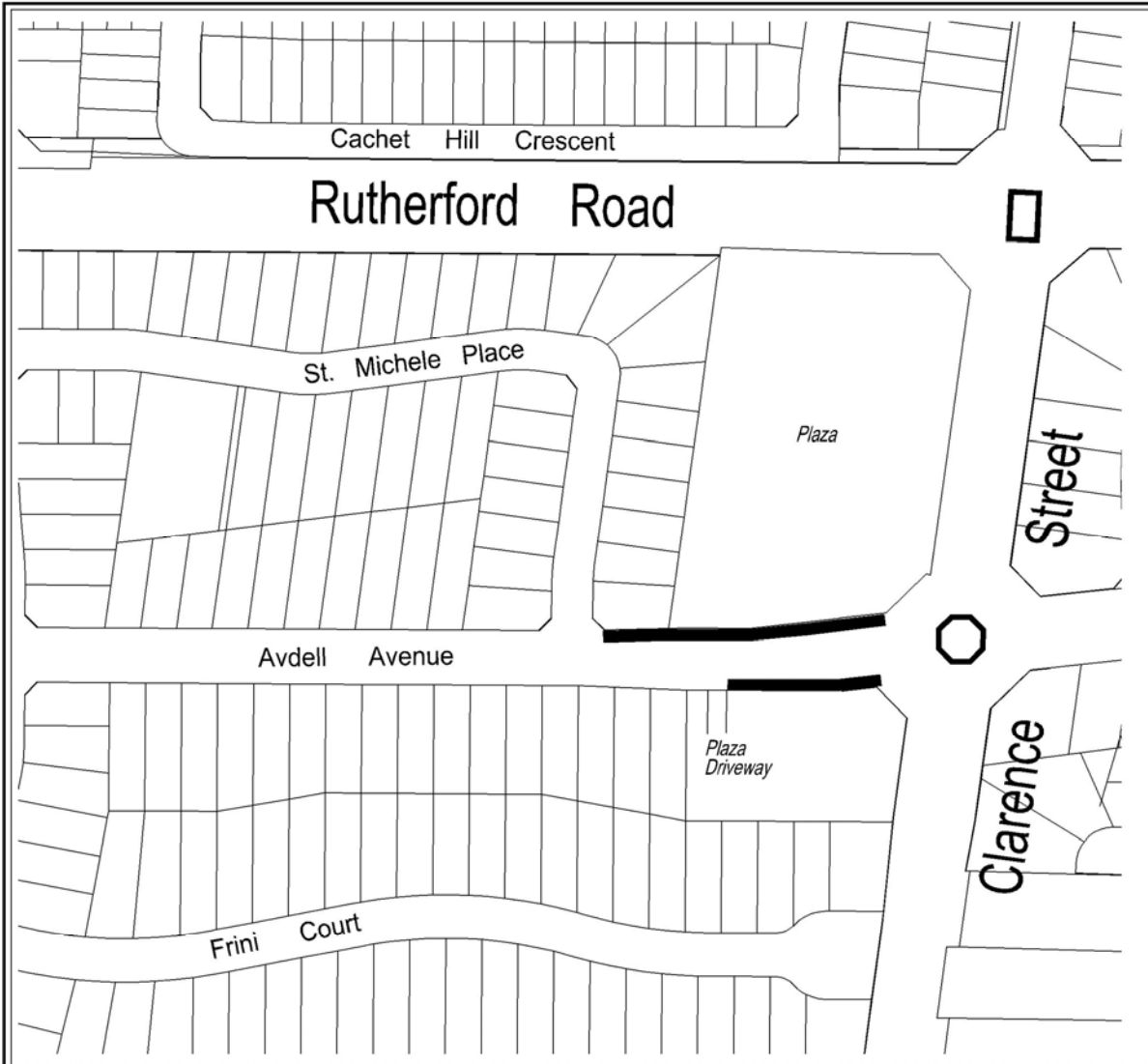
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ATTACHMENT No. 1

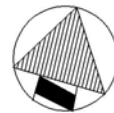


AVDELL AVENUE

PROPOSED PARKING PROHIBITION

LEGEND

-  PROPOSED PARKING PROHIBITION
-  EXISTING TRAFFIC SIGNALS
-  EXISTING ALL-WAY STOP CONTROL



NOT TO SCALE

ATTACHMENT NO. 2

October 20, 2008

PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF PARKING PROHIBITIONS AVDELL AVENUE SURVEY

Dear Resident:

The Engineering Department has received a request for the installation of parking prohibition signs on Avdell Avenue from the east intersection of St. Michelle Place to Clarence Street. The proposed prohibition would be for No Parking at Any Time. The Engineering Department is interested in your opinion on the proposed sign installation, as it will affect on-street parking in your area.

Please complete the following survey and return it by mail, fax, or email no later than November 7, 2008.

Do you support the proposed installation of parking prohibition signs posted for Avdell Avenue from the east intersection of St. Michelle Place to Clarence Street? Please indicate your preference below.

Agree with No Parking signs installation

If you indicated 'Agree' above, would you like to see the prohibition signs installed on:

- The north side of Avdell Avenue
- The south side of Avdell Avenue
- Both sides of Avdell Avenue

Disagree with No Parking signs installation

Please provide us with any additional comments or suggestions in the space provided below.

For tracking purposes, please provide your address: _____

Please complete the notice and return it no later than **November 7, 2008**, by any of the following methods.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR INPUT!

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