

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – AUGUST 18, 2002

MELVILLE AVENUE PROPOSED U-TURN PROHIBITION

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

That a U–turn prohibition be enacted on Melville Avenue from Roseheath Drive to a point 80 metres north of Carron Avenue.

Purpose

Staff received a request to review the feasibility of implementing a U-turn prohibition on Melville Avenue in the vicinity of Michael Cranny Elementary School. Residents on the west side of Melville Avenue near the school are concerned with the potential driving hazards this activity has created.

Background - Analysis and Options

Michael Cranny Elementary School is located on the east side of Melville Avenue north of Roseheath Drive. Staff conducted observations on June 9/10, 2003 and it was observed that frequent U-turns were occurring during both the morning arrival and afternoon dismissal peak school periods. Incidents of some U-turns within the Melville Avenue and Carron Avenue all-way stop intersection were also noted. The area is shown on Attachment No. 1.

The residents have complained that on-street U-turns and frequent use of their driveways to complete 3-point turns are potentially hazardous especially with the presence of school aged pedestrians. These unexpected maneuvers interfere with proper use of their home driveways. There is an existing U-turn prohibition on Melville Avenue in front of Devine Mercy Elementary School.

Parents have the option when picking up or dropping off students by travelling around the block via Cunningham Drive or Roseheath Drive. Parents may also use the driveway within Melville Park situated nearby between the two elementary school sites.

Conclusion

Based on staff's review, it is recommended that a U-turn prohibition be implemented on Melville Avenue from Roseheath Drive to a point 50 metres north of Carron Avenue.

Attachments

1. Location Map.

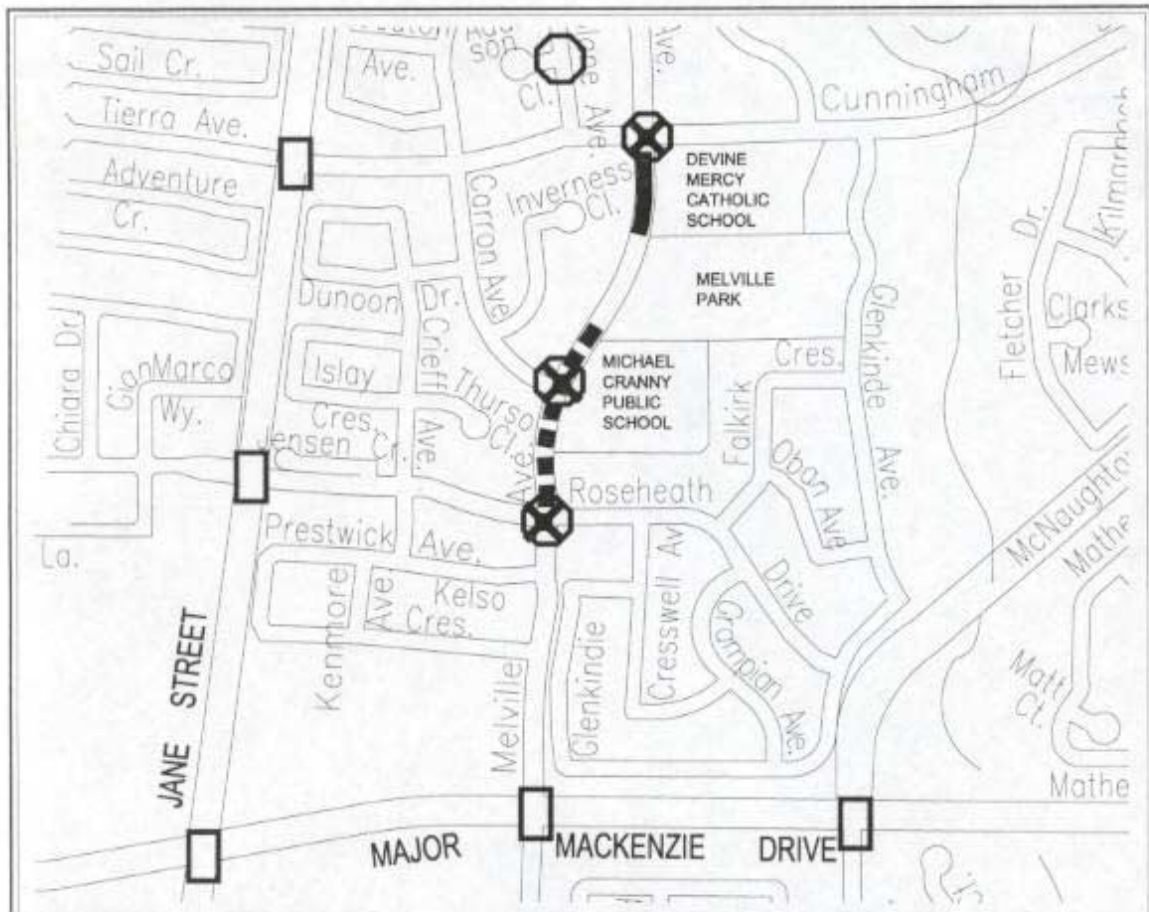
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ATTACHMENT No. 1



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LEGEND

- ■ ■ PROPOSED NO U-TURN PROHIBITION
- EXISTING NO U-TURN PROHIBITION (since Nov. 1999)
- EXISTING TRAFFIC SIGNALS
- EXISTING ALLWAY STOP CONTROL
- ✕ EXISTING SUPERVISED SCHOOLCROSSING



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