

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – JANUARY 16, 2006

**RIVERMEDE ROAD
PROPOSED PARKING PROHIBITION**

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

That the existing parking prohibitions not be changed on Rivermede Road between Keele Street and Bowes Road.

Economic Impact

Not Applicable.

Purpose

To review the effectiveness of the existing parking prohibitions and the feasibility of amending the existing prohibitions, in response to direction from Council.

Background - Analysis and Options

At its meeting on October 31, 2005 Council directed:

“That staff be directed to review By-Law 1-96, the Consolidated Parking By-Law, as it pertains to the effectiveness of the current parking prohibitions on Rivermede Road between Keele Street and Bowes Road.”

Rivermede Road is an industrial roadway with a 26.0 metre right-of-way (2 lanes in either direction) and urbanized from Keele Street to Bowes Road. There is an existing ‘No Stopping’ prohibition on both sides of Rivermede Road, from Keele Street to 76 metres east of Keele Street. The 3 Hour Maximum time limit would be enforced from 76 metres east of Keele Street to Bowes Road. The area is shown on Attachment No. 1.

Staff conducted parking observations on Rivermede Road between Keele Street and Bowes Road on Tuesday, December 6, 2005 from 8:00-9:00am, 11:00-12:00pm, 2:00-3:00pm, and 4:00-5:00pm to determine the effectiveness of the existing prohibitions, and if the existing prohibitions need to be amended. The table below shows the results of the observations.

OBSERVATION TIME	LOCATION PARKED ON RIVERMEDE ROAD
8:00-9:00am	- Pick-up truck parked east of Rayette for 7 minutes (south side). - Transport truck parked east of Keele for 2 minutes (north side).
11:00-12:00pm	- Trailer box left west of Bowes for 20 minutes (south side). - Trailer box left west of Bowes for 25 minutes (south side).
2:00-3:00pm	- Delivery truck parked west of Bowes for 4 minutes (south side). - Delivery truck parked east of Rayette for 6 minutes (south side). - Transport truck parked east of Keele for 20 minutes (south side). - Delivery truck parked west of Bowes for 15 minutes (south side). - Pick-up truck parked west of Bowes for 3 minutes (north side).
4:00-5:00pm	- No vehicles observed parked.

There were a minimal number of parked vehicles (9 over 4 hour period) on Rivermede Road between Keele Street and Bowes Road during observations, and the longest time a vehicle was observed parked was for 25 minutes (average time of 11 minutes). Staff do not recommend any changes to the existing parking prohibitions or the 3 Hour maximum time limit based on the results of observations.

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

Based on staff's review, it is recommended that no changes are made to the existing parking prohibitions on Rivermede Road between Keele Street and Bowes Road.

Attachments

1. Location Map

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