

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – FEBRUARY 6, 2006

ENSURING SUFFICIENT PUBLIC PARKING SPACES IN THE WOODBRIDGE CORE

Recommendation

Councillor Tony Carella recommends that the Planning and Engineering Departments be directed to undertake a joint review of opportunities and options for guaranteeing a sufficient number of parking spaces available for use by the public within the Woodbridge core, whether on private or public lands or both.

Economic Impact

Both departments possess sufficient resources to conduct such a review without recourse to outside consultants

Purpose

To ensure a sufficient number of parking spaces for future use by the general public in the Woodbridge core.

Background - Analysis and Options

While there appears to be a surplus of parking spaces in the Woodbridge core, most are privately held in a number of condominiums buildings, which were not purchased by tenants of the condominium. As such these spaces cannot be used to relieve any future pressure for additional public spaces in the vicinity. By undertaking a review of this matter at this time, it is hoped that a range of opportunities and options will be identified, for Council's future consideration.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

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

Conclusion

As any future development will doubtless bring added traffic into an enhanced core---whether in the form of more business customers, visitors to residents, or indeed tourist traffic, prudence suggests this issue be addressed now, while there is time to consider the broadest range of solutions.

Attachments

None

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Respectfully submitted,

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