COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - SEPTEMBER 5, 2006

PEELAR ROAD PROPOSED PARKING PROHIBITION

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

That parking prohibitions (Anytime) be implemented on the north and south sides of Peelar Road between Maplecrete Road and Creditstone Road.

Economic Impact

The cost to install the parking prohibition signs would be an initial impact to the 2006 Operating Budget, and the cost to maintain the signs would be a future budget impact.

Purpose

To review the feasibility of implementing parking prohibitions on Peelar Road, in response to requests from area business employees.

Background - Analysis and Options

Staff received requests from employees of an area business on Peelar Road that parking prohibition signs are required due to heavy on-street parking between Maplecrete Road and Creditstone Road.

Peelar Road is an industrial roadway with a pavement width of 11.5 metres. The area is shown on Attachment No. 1.

Staff conducted parking observations on Peelar Road between Maplecrete Road and Creditstone Road on Wednesday, May 30, 2006 from 8:00-9:00am, 12:00-1:00pm, and 4:00-5:00pm to determine if parking prohibitions are required. The table below shows the results of the observations.

OBSERVATION TIMES	ON-STREET SUMMARY OF VEHICLES NOTED PARKED ON
Wed., May 30, 2006	PEELAR ROAD
8:00-9:00am	Maximum of 10 cars noted parked on the south side of the street
12:00-1:00pm	Maximum of 17 cars noted parked on the south side of the street
4:00-5:00pm	Maximum of 17 cars noted parked on the south side of the street

There are a large number of parked vehicles on the south side of Peelar Road between Maplecrete Road and Creditstone Road during the observation periods. The surrounding businesses on the south side of Peelar Road contain several autobody repair shops and many of the vehicles parked on street were found to be unlicensed vehicles awaiting service. Sight visibility from business driveways is limited due to the volume of parked vehicles on the roadway. A follow-up review during a mid-morning check on Friday, June 9, 2006 showed similar results.

A review of recorded collisions from 2003 to present indicates one collision in 2004, where a vehicle exiting a driveway on the south side of Peelar Road was struck by an eastbound vehicle. The report is not clear if parked vehicles had reduced the available sight visibility.

Staff reviewed the situation with Bylaw Enforcement who have provided enforcement of parking infractions in the past but the on-street parking persists. All of the on-street parking occurred on the south side of the street. The installation of any parking prohibitions for the south side of the street parking to the north side of the street. Therefore, staff

recommends the installation of parking prohibitions for both the north and south sides of Peelar Road between Maplecrete Road and Creditstone Road.

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 parking prohibitions (Anytime) be implemented on the north and south sides of Peelar Road between Maplecrete Road and Creditstone Road.

Attachments

1. Location Map

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ATTACHMENT No. 1



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