

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - FEBRUARY 10, 2009

CIDERMILL AVENUE – PARKING PROJECT – WARD 4

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services and City Solicitor, and the Director of Enforcement Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, recommend:

1. That the On-Street Parking Pilot Project on Cidermill Avenue be made permanent; and
2. That the number of available permits and parking spaces be reduced to 20 from 35.

Economic Impact

Not applicable.

Communications Plan

Notification of the reduction of available permits and parking spaces will be mailed to area businesses.

Purpose

This report is to provide feedback on the On-Street Pilot Parking Project on Cidermill Avenue, 16 months after it started.

Background - Analysis and Options

Council, at its meeting of June 25, 2007 approved the following Recommendations:

1. That parking be allowed by Permit on Cidermill Avenue between Edgeley Boulevard and Millway Avenue for the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday;
2. That a monthly Permit fee of \$50.00 per parking space be approved and a program be implemented;
3. That the Parking Pilot Project on Cidermill Avenue begin August 6, 2007 and run for a one year trial period.

The Parking Pilot Project was commenced September 1, 2007. There were 35 monthly permits and spaces available for purchase. These permits were made available on the last Monday of each month.

As illustrated in Table 1.1, attached, there has not been as much use of the project as expected, with the highest monthly use being 40% of capacity and 10 months of only 2 permits being sold. Over the course of the 16 month pilot, 80 out of a possible 560 permits were sold, for an average of 7 permits per month being sold.

Enforcement activity also continued in the pilot area to encourage compliance. In the 16 month project period, 19 parking tickets were issued.

Although there is some use of the available permit parking system in place on Cidermill Avenue, the number of permits and available parking spaces can be reduced to open up 3 hour parking spaces for the general public.

Staff are recommending that the number of spaces and permits be reduced to 20 spaces. This will allow for the peak number of 14 permits sold, with some room for growth if required. Signs will be removed to reduce the number of spaces identified.

Staff also recommend that the \$50.00 per permit fee remain. This fee covers the costs associated with the administration of the program.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This report is consistent with the Vaughan Vision as it relates to service excellence.

Regional Implications

Not applicable.

Conclusion

The Permit Parking Project on Cidermill Avenue has been used by the public but not to its full capacity. The project should be continued, with a reduced capacity.

Attachments

Table 1.1

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ATTACHMENT 1

TABLE 1.1

MONTH	AVAILABLE	SOLD	PERCENT
Sept 2007	35	14	40
Oct 2007	35	12	34
Nov 2007	35	3	8
Dec 2007	35	2	5
Jan 2008	35	2	5
Feb 2008	35	2	5
Mar 2008	35	2	5
Apr 2008	35	2	5
May 2008	35	2	5
June 2008	35	2	5
July 2008	35	8	23
Aug 2008	35	2	5
Sept 2008	35	13	37
Oct 2008	35	10	28
Nov 2008	35	2	5
Dec 2008	35	2	5