

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 21, 2017

Item 2, Report No. 6, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on February 21, 2017, as follows:

By receiving Communication C9 from Donna & Joe Rotondo, Treelawn Boulevard, Kleinburg, dated February 21, 2017.

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**PARKING PROHIBITION REVIEW
ISLINGTON AVENUE, NORTH OF JOHN STREET
WARD 1**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Deputy City Manager of Public Works and the Director of Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations, dated February 7, 2017:

Recommendation

The Deputy City Manager of Public Works and the Director of Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations, in consultation with the Director of By-Law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services recommend:

1. That Council amend Schedule "A" Part I of Parking By-law 1-96, as amended, to remove the no parking prohibition on the east side of Islington Avenue, from 65 metres south of John Street to 135 metres south of Treelawn Boulevard;
2. That Council amend Schedule "A" Part I of Parking By-law 1-96, as amended, to add a parking prohibition on the east side of Islington Avenue, from 65 metres south of John Street to John Street; and
3. That Council amend Schedule "A" Part I of Parking By-law 1-96, as amended, to add a parking prohibition on the east side of Islington Avenue, from 64 metres north of John Street to 135 metres south of Treelawn Boulevard.

Contribution to Sustainability

This report contributes to the goals and objectives within Green Directions Vaughan, The City's Community Sustainability and Environmental Master Plan, specifically:

Goal 3: To ensure that Vaughan is a city that is easy to get around with a low environmental impact.

Objective 3.2: To develop and sustain a network of roads that supports efficient and accessible public and private transit.

Economic Impact

The cost associated with the removal of the parking prohibition on the east side of Islington Avenue for snow removal and re-establishment of the three (3) hour parking restriction is estimated to be \$14,000 annually.

Communications Plan

Not applicable.

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Purpose

The purpose of this report is to assess the feasibility of removing a no parking prohibition on the east side of Islington Avenue and re-establish the three (3) hour parking restriction, to increase short term visitor parking to the Kleinburg village area.

Background - Analysis and Options

Currently, a parking prohibition (i.e. no parking anytime) is in effect on the east side of Islington Avenue, within Kleinburg Village.

Kleinburg Village is located on Islington Avenue roughly from Stegman's Mill Road to Nashville Road. Islington Avenue is a two (2) lane minor collector roadway with a 20.0 metre right-of-way and an 8.0 metre pavement width. There are sidewalks on both sides of Islington Avenue encouraging pedestrian activity. Islington Avenue also features a rolled curb at many sections to permit vehicles to park off-street without negatively impacting two-way traffic.

Currently, a parking prohibition (i.e. no parking anytime) is in effect on the east side of Islington Avenue from 65 metres south of John Street to 135 metres south of Treelawn Boulevard. This area is approximately 245 metres. The proposal would revise the existing parking prohibition to permit parking for a maximum of 3 hours for 64 metres. The area is shown in Attachment No.1.

Residents and the business community of Kleinburg Village have raised concerns regarding the current parking prohibition on the east side of Islington Avenue.

Local residents and the Business Improvement Area (BIA) have concerns for available parking for visitors to the Kleinburg Village core. The existing parking prohibition in question is on the east side of Islington Avenue from 65 metres south of John Street to 135 metres south of Treelawn Boulevard.

A traffic operational review confirmed that revising the parking prohibitions will not negatively impact traffic flow on Islington Avenue.

Staff investigated existing conditions on Islington Avenue and found that if parking prohibitions were to be revised, two-way traffic flow will not be impacted as the proposal would have vehicles parked off the travelled portion of the road.

Existing streetscape features (benches, flowerbeds, etc.) are present from John Street to 65 metres south of John Street. All of these existing features prevent off-street parking in this area. For the purposes of this prohibition proposal, it is recommended to make no changes to this section.

However, from John Street to 135 metres south of Treelawn Boulevard, there are existing continuous mountable curbs and interlock pads that range in width from 1.1 metres to 2.35 metres. Parking width specifications require a minimum width of 2.2 metres.

Staff have investigated and found the 2.35 metre mountable curb extends from John Street to 64 metres north of John Street, which would be suitable for parking, based on sight visibility and operations.

The residents considered directly impacted by the proposal and the BIA have been informed of this proposal.

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The City has received no objections to date with the parking prohibition removal proposed. There are three residences on the east side of Islington Avenue that could be considered directly impacted by the proposal.

To date, no objections or comments have been received from the directly impacted residents.

The proposed parking prohibition revision would increase the number of available parking spaces for the Kleinburg Village Core, without adversely impacting two-way traffic flow.

Through consultation with the BIA, it has become clear that additional parking for visitors to the Kleinburg Village Core is desired. The proposal to revise the existing parking prohibitions on the east side of Islington Avenue will not adversely impact two-way traffic flow as the parking will be accommodated off-street.

The facilities of an interlock surface and mountable curb are already in place, requiring only the revision of existing parking prohibitions. There is an available width of 2.35 metres from John Street to 64 metres north of John Street that would be appropriate for off-street parking. The additional parking area will be a benefit to the community and local businesses.

Relationship to Term of Council Service Excellence Strategy Map (2014-2018)

In consideration of the strategic priorities related to the Term of Council Service Excellence Strategy Map (2014 – 2018), this report is consistent with the following Term of Council Priorities:

- Improve municipal network; and
- Continue to ensure the safety and well-being of citizens.

Regional Implications

None

Conclusion

Based on the review, it is recommended that Parking By-law 1-96, as amended, be further amended to remove a no parking prohibition on the east side of Islington Avenue from John Street to 64 metres north of John Street and re-establish the three (3) hour maximum to increase the number of available short term parking spaces for the Kleinburg Village area.

Attachment

1. Location Map

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(A copy of the attachments referred to in the foregoing have been forwarded to each Member of Council and a copy thereof is also on file in the office of the City Clerk.)