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EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 23, 2015

Item 5, Report No. 26, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on June 23, 2015.

NO STOPPING PROHIBITION MONTE CARLO DRIVE AND LIO AVENUE / ALANNO WAY – BLOCK 53 WARD 2

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations, dated June 16, 2015:

Recommendation

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The Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations recommend:

- 1. That By-law 1-296 Schedule "A" Part 3, the Comprehensive Parking By-law, be amended to prohibit stopping from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday, from September 1 June 30, on:
 - a) both sides of the south approach of Monte Carlo Drive from a distance of 30.5 metres south of the south curb of Lio Avenue/Alanno Way to Lio Avenue/Alanno Way;
 - b) both sides of the north approach of Monte Carlo Drive from the north curb of Lio Avenue/Alanno Way for a distance of 30.5 metres north of Lio Avenue/Alanno Way;
 - c) both sides of the west approach of Lio Avenue from a distance of 30.5 metres west of the west curb of Monte Carlo Drive to Monte Carlo Drive;
 - d) both sides of the east approach of Alanno Way from the east curb of Monte Carlo Drive for a distance of 30.5 metres east of Monte Carlo Drive.

Contribution to Sustainability

Not Applicable.

Economic Impact

The total cost associated with the installation of appropriate signs is estimated to be approximately \$2000.00, and can be absorbed within the approved 2015 Operating Budget. The on-going costs to maintain the signs will be incorporated in future Operating Budgets.

Communications Plan

Staff will inform the area residents and the Principal at Lorna Jackson Public Elementary School on the outcome of Council's decision on this matter.

Purpose

To recommend prohibiting stopping on two residential roadways in Ward 2 - Block 53 to reduce congestion and to improve sightlines for pedestrians, especially children attending Lorna Jackson Elementary Public School.

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Background - Analysis and Options

Lorna Jackson Public Elementary School is located on the south side of Napa Valley Avenue, west of Monte Carlo Drive. The main pedestrian entrance to the school is also from Napa Valley Avenue.

An alternative access exists to/from the school site via a walkway, which is located on the west side of Monte Carlo Drive, south of Napa Valley Avenue and just north of Lio Avenue/Alanno Way. This access is used primarily by children walking to school originating from the south and east.

Those children need to cross at the intersection of Monte Carlo Drive and Lio Avenue/Alanno Way, which is characterized by a traffic circle and yield control on all approaches. All of the roadways are local roadways and have a three-hour maximum parking time limit.

The location of the alternative access to the school results in some operational difficulties for traffic at the subject intersection. During the two-hour, morning (8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.) and afternoon (3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.) arrival/dismissal times for the school a significant number of parents use this location on Monte Carlo Drive to park and pick up/drop off. Further, staff observed that the presence of these parked vehicles makes it difficult for those children that walk to school and cross the from the east side to see approaching traffic at the intersection. As well, these parked vehicles interfere with turning movements, especially trucks.

In order to provide clear and unobstructed crossings at the intersection and to ensure sightlines for children attending Lorna Jackson Public Elementary School, prohibiting stopping in the vicinity of the walkway would be an acceptable solution. In order to prevent parking from being displaced to the other approaches at the traffic circle, staff recommends a complementary stopping prohibition on all approaches for a distance of 30.5 metres from the curb lines. There are sufficient parking opportunities beyond the 30.5 metres of the intersection for parents to park.

This proposed amendment to the parking regulations would be in effect on regularly scheduled school days, Monday to Friday, during the 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. period from September 1 to June 30.

Further, the proposed changes at this intersection, if approved would have a negligible impact on the collection of road and traffic data for a school crossing guard in the future.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and ties into the following Vaughan Vision 2020 Goals and Objectives:

Goal: Service Excellence

Objective: Pursue Excellence in Service Delivery

Objective: Enhance and Ensure Community safety, Health & Wellness

Regional Implications

Not Applicable.

Conclusion

Based on Transportation Services staff's review, it is recommended that the introduction of a temporal stopping prohibition on Monte Carlo Drive and Lio Avenue/Alanno Way, coincident with the morning and afternoon arrival/dismissal times of students attending Lorna Jackson Public

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Elementary School, on weekdays, from September 1 to June 30, will improve traffic operations in the vicinity of the intersection and ensure crossing sightlines are clear.

Attachments

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.)