

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 24, 2014

Item 29, Report No. 30, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on June 24, 2014.

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**PARKING REVIEW – VILLARBOIT CRESCENT
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The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works and the Director of Engineering Services, dated June 17, 2014:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works and the Director of Engineering Services recommend:

1. That Council receive this report for information.

Contribution to Sustainability

Not applicable.

Economic Impact

There is no economic impact at this time.

Communications Plan

Not Applicable.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to address Council's direction from its meeting held on March 18, 2014, that:

“Traffic Engineering staff conduct the necessary studies to determine if an on-street permit parking pilot project is feasible for Villarboit Crescent”

Background

Villarboit Crescent is a two-lane industrial road that presently accommodates parking on both sides of the roadway

Villarboit Crescent is a two-lane industrial road with a 23.0 metre right-of way, and 11.5 metre pavement width (refer to Attachment No. 1). The current speed limit is 50 km/h. In accordance with the Consolidated On-street Parking By-Law (By-Law Number 1-96), parking along the inside south bend on Villarboit Crescent is prohibited as a result of sight line issues for motorists navigating the horizontal curve in the roadway. However, the pavement width of the roadway can accommodate parking on both sides of the road while ensuring that a 6m clearance is maintained for emergency vehicles.

Staff has reviewed the existing on-street parking on Villarboit Crescent

An on-street parking review was undertaken on March 25, 2014. During the study period, vehicles were observed parking at various locations along Villarboit Crescent. While a considerable amount of on-street parking activity was observed, no vehicles were parked within

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the designated “no parking” areas. However, vehicles were found to be exceeding the three hours parking limit. This is contrary to By-Law Number 1-96 Section 7 (a), which states, “*No person shall park a vehicle on a highway for a longer period of time than three hours between 6:00am and 2:00 am...*” Parking enforcement activities have been prominent along Villarboit Crescent as a result of the compliance issues with By-Law Number 1-96 Section 7 (a).

Staff does not recommend proceeding with an on-street parking pilot project on Villarboit Crescent

The roadway characteristics of Villarboit Crescent are similar to many of the industrial roads within the City that also have similar parking demands and/or concerns. On-street parking is available to accommodate visitors/customers to the businesses located on Villarboit Crescent on a short-term basis. It is expected that employee parking is fully accommodated within the employer’s property and does not overflow onto the roadway. In addition, accommodating longer term on-street parking may negatively impact the traffic movements of the larger trucks that frequently travel on Villarboit Crescent.

Although there is currently designated parking allowed (by permit) on three (3) industrial roads within the City, records indicate that very few permits have been purchased. In addition, designated parking locations require increased resources to administer.

In view of the above, staff does not recommend proceeding with an on-street parking pilot project on Villarboit Crescent.

A comprehensive City wide parking review is currently underway

Staff is currently developing a parking strategy that will review existing parking needs throughout the City and develop appropriate solutions in consultation with the citizens and businesses of Vaughan. This strategy will involve the development of policies that will promote increased parking utilization while ensuring the safety of all road users as guiding principles. The first phase of this strategy will review the on-street parking needs within residential communities. Following the first phase of this project, a review will also be undertaken for parking in:

- The Vaughan Metropolitan Centre
- Industrial areas
- Historic areas
- Other intensified areas

The review of the parking needs in industrial areas will include developing appropriate solutions for the concerns raised along Villarboit Crescent.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

Not Applicable.

Regional Implications

Not Applicable.

Attachments

1. Location Map
2. Extract from Council Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2014, Item 12, Report No. 10 of the Committee of the Whole.

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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.)