CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 21. 2017

Item 8, Report No. 39, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on November 21, 2017.

8 LA NEVE AVENUE ON-STREET PERMIT PARKING PILOT PROJECT REVIEW WARD 2

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That 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 November 7, 2017, be approved; and
- 2) That the following deputations be received:
 - 1. Ms. Pina Scavuzzo, La Neve Avenue, Woodbridge; and
 - 2. Mr. Yiu Man Win, La Neve Avenue, Woodbridge.

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 & Compliance, Licensing & Permit Services recommend:

- That Council not extend or renew the on-street permit parking pilot project on La Neve Avenue; and
- 2. That the existing signs on La Neve Avenue be removed.

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.

The provision of on-street parking can impact the road operations, as road space is provided to accommodate parking and traffic requires to manoeuvre through the adjacent parking lane. La Neve Avenue is a two-lane north-south local roadway with 8.0 metre pavement width and no sidewalks on either side of the street.

Economic Impact

The discontinuation of the parking pilot project will require the removal of the existing Permit Parking signs. An estimated amount of \$300 will be required to remove the signs.

A maximum of seven (7) permits are typically sold in any given month, at a rate of \$50 per permit. Annual revenue of approximately \$4,200 would cease with the discontinuation of the project.

Communications Plan

The La Neve Avenue on-street permit parking pilot project was initiated in part through a petition of a limited number of residents. A follow up survey to all affected residents was conducted as part of the pilot project assessment. The residents of La Neve Avenue will be notified of the report outcome.

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Purpose

To provide an update and recommendation to Council on the one-year on-street permit parking pilot project on La Neve Avenue.

Background - Analysis and Options

The La Neve on-street permit parking pilot project was initiated in October 2016.

At the June 28th, 2016 Council meeting, Council approved a member's resolution to implement an overnight permit parking pilot for one year on La Neve Avenue, starting October 1, 2016. A staff report was presented at the September 7, 2016 council meeting to amend the Parking By-law for the issuing of permits and collection of fees, as the Charges By-law must reflect the corresponding fee (See Attachment No. 2). The by-law provision enacted to give effect to the pilot included an automatic sunset clause with a date of September 30, 2017. Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations undertook an assessment of La Neve Avenue and determined that up to thirteen (13) permits may be issued.

La Neve Avenue is a two-lane north-south local roadway with a 17.5 m right-of-way (8.0 metre pavement width). There are no sidewalks on either side of the street. A map of the area is shown in Attachment No. 1.

A Survey was delivered to the residences on La Neve Avenue and a majority of the responses were in support of discontinuing the on-street permit parking.

A survey was delivered to all residences on La Neve Avenue near the end of the one-year permit parking pilot project. Residents were asked if they would like to keep the on-street permit parking or have it discontinued.

A total of fifty (50) surveys were distributed to the residents on La Neve Avenue. A large majority of responses were in favour of discontinuing the on-street permit parking. Thirty-four (34) responses were received in support of removing the on-street permit parking and three (3) responses were received in favour of keeping the on-street permit parking.

A review of calls during winter operations on La Neve Avenue identified a complaint that parked cars were negatively impacting the snow plow operations. Residents also had concerns with the street being narrow with no sidewalks for pedestrians, a condition not suitable for on-street parking. There were no complaints received pertaining to waste collection.

A review of the number of permits sold on La Neve Avenue showed a maximum of only seven (7) permits sold in any month.

Based on the survey and feedback from residents following the one-year pilot project, it is recommended that the on-street permit parking on La Neve Avenue be discontinued.

The survey of residents of La Neve Avenue showed more than two-third (2/3) or sixty-eight per cent (68%) were in favour of removing the on-street permit parking and returning to the City's standard parking by-law regulations. The survey of residents showed only 6% were in favour of having on-street permit parking.

Non-renewal of the parking pilot project will require the removal of the existing permit parking signs.

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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

Not Applicable

Conclusion

It is recommended that the on-street permit parking pilot project on La Neve be discontinued and parking signs be removed from the east side of La Neve Avenue.

Attachment

- 1. Location Map
- 2. Council Extract from Council Meeting Minutes of September 20, 2016

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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.)