



Report to: Development Services Committee

Report Date: May 23, 2017

SUBJECT: Spy Court Proposed Parking Prohibition

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RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) That the report entitled "Spy Court Parking Prohibition," be received;
- 2) And that Schedule "C" of Parking By-law 2005-188 be amended to prohibit parking on the north side of Spy Court, to a point 170 metres east thereof;
- 3) And that the Operations Department be directed to install the appropriate signs at the subject locations, funded through Engineering Department account # 083-5350-17162-005;
- 4) And that the Parking Control Department be directed to enforce the parking prohibition upon installation of the signs and passing of the by-law;
- 5) And that staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

PURPOSE:

This report recommends a parking prohibition on the north side of Spy Court, excluding the cul-de-sac, to address ongoing traffic operational safety concerns.

BACKGROUND:

Spy Court is classified as a local industrial street; located east of Woodbine Avenue and south of Apple Creek Boulevard. Traffic Operations Staff was notified by local business employees of traffic safety concerns related to vehicles consistently parking on both sides of Spy Court. Currently there are no parking restrictions on either side of Spy Court. When vehicles are parked on both sides, the width of the road is narrowed from the current 10.5 metres to 5.5 – 6.0 metres, restricting two-way traffic flow.

OPTIONS/ DISCUSSION:

Traffic Operations staff has confirmed that the parking activity on both sides on Spy Court is restricting two-way traffic flow (see Attachment "A"). Parking activity is consistent throughout the day. Further, large commercial trucks and tractor trailers regularly use Spy Court in order to service the local businesses. When vehicles are parked on both sides of the street, these commercial trucks find it difficult to safely maneuver into and out of the commercial driveways.

By prohibiting parking on the north side of Spy Court (see Attachment "B"), two-way traffic operations will be maintained. It is expected that the proposed parking prohibition will mitigate traffic operations concerns and improve accessibility for large commercial trucks, fire and emergency services vehicles. Parking will continue to be permitted on the south side of Spy Court

and within the cul-de-sac. Also, Traffic Operations Staff have observed that each of the on-site parking facilities for the commercial establishments routinely have five to ten vacant parking spaces available and therefore, should be able to accommodate many of the vehicles that would otherwise be parked on the street. Notification letters have been sent to the property owners on Spy Court notifying them of the recommendation.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The cost of materials to install the signs is included in the Engineering Department account # 083-5350-17162-005. On-going maintenance costs for this installation will be included in future Operations Department budgets.

HUMAN RESOURCES CONSIDERATIONS:

Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

The recommendations identified within this report align with the strategic focus for a Safe and Sustainable Community, through the ongoing management of the City's transportation network.

DEPARTMENTS CONSULTED AND AFFECTED:

Operations Department has been circulated this report, recognizing operating impacts associated with the additional regulatory signs.

RECOMMENDED BY:



Brian Lee, P.Eng.
Director, Engineering



Jim Baird, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.
Commissioner, Development Services

ATTACHMENTS:

- Attachment "A" – On-Street Parking Photos
- Attachment "B" – Spy Court Parking Restriction Map
- Attachment "C" – Proposed By-Law Amendment

Spy Court On-Street Parking Activity





BY-LAW NUMBER _____

TO AMEND PARKING BY-LAW 2005-188

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MARKHAM THAT PARKING BY-LAW 2005-188 BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That Schedule “C” of Parking By-law 2005-188, pertaining to “No Parking”, be amended by adding the following:

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3	COLUMN 4
<u>STREET</u>	<u>SIDE(S)</u>	<u>BETWEEN</u>	<u>PROHIBITED TIME OR DAYS</u>
Spy Court	North	McIntosh Drive and a point 170 metres east thereof	Anytime

2. The By-law shall come into force and effect upon receiving the third reading by the Council of the City of Markham and also when the authorized signs have been erected.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS _____

DAY OF _____, 2017.

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KIMBERLY KITTERINGHAM
CITY CLERK

FRANK SCARPITTI
MAYOR