



Report to: General Committee

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**SUBJECT:** Station Lane Proposed Parking Prohibition

**PREPARED BY:** David Porretta, Traffic Operations Supervisor, ext. 2040

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) That the staff report entitled “Station Lane Proposed Parking Prohibition”, be received;
- 2) And that Schedule “C” of Parking By-law 2005-188, be amended by including the north side of Station Lane, between Main Street Unionville and Eureka Street;
- 3) And that Schedule “C” of Parking By-law 2005-188, be amended by removing the north side of Station Lane, between 8D & 10 Station Lane and the property line between 12 & 14 Station Lane;
- 4) And that the Operations Department be directed to install and maintain the appropriate regulatory signs at the subject locations;
- 5) And that the cost of materials and installation for the traffic signs and pavement markings be funded from capital project # 11305 (Traffic Operational Improvements) in the amount of approximately \$1,000;
- 6) And that the Parking Control Department be directed to enforce the parking prohibition upon approval of the By-law amendment and installation of the regulatory signs;
- 7) And that staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

**PURPOSE:**

This report recommends prohibiting parking on the north side of Station Lane, in its entirety, to resolve operational issues associated with on-street parking activity.

**BACKGROUND:**

Station Lane is a local residential street located in Unionville village, just west of Main Street Unionville. The road width is approximately 6.0 metres with an average daily traffic (ADT) volume of 575 vehicles. Operations Department has observed ongoing operational concerns caused by on-street parking activity.

**DISCUSSION:**

**Station Lane cannot accommodate both on-street parking and maintain two-way traffic.**

Staff has conducted a site investigation regarding the on-street parking concerns on Station Lane. With a road width of only six (6) metres, Station Lane is not able to facilitate two-way traffic flow when on-street parking activity is occurring. Also, a six-metre clearance is required to allow passage for large fire apparatus. Located nearby on Eureka Street is the Union-Villa long-term

care facility. Fire Services has identified Station Lane as a primary response route to the facility during emergencies.

**A parking prohibition on the north side of Station Lane, in its entirety, is recommended.**

Multiple site observations have confirmed that on-street parking activity is an ongoing occurrence along the north side of Station Lane. While on-street parking is currently prohibited on south side of Station Lane, the parking activity on the north side creates a situation where only one vehicle is able to negotiate the street at a time. This is further compounded during the winter season, as snow plows cannot effectively clear the street when parked vehicles are present.

Therefore, staff recommend prohibiting parking on the north side of Station Lane, in its entirety, to ensure that two-way traffic and emergency access is not compromised.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

The cost of materials and installation for the signs is not expected to exceed \$1,000 and has been included in the capital project # 11305 (Traffic Operational Improvements). On-going maintenance costs for this installation is included in the 2013 Operations Department operating budget.

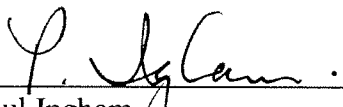
**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:**

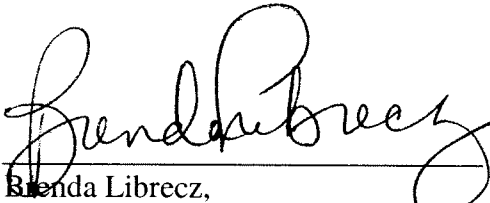
This report aligns with the community safety component of the transportation/transit strategic priority.

**DEPARTMENTS CONSULTED AND AFFECTED:**

Not applicable.

**RECOMMENDED BY:**

  
Paul Ingham,  
Director, Operations

  
Brenda Librecz,  
Commissioner, Community & Fire Services

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A – Proposed Parking Restriction Map

Attachment B – By-Law Amendment