

Report to: General Committee Date Report Authored: April 17, 2013

SUBJECT: Lazenby Court & Rodick Road Proposed Parking Prohibition

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RECOMMENDATION:

1) That the staff report entitled "Lazenby Court & Rodick Road Proposed Parking Prohibition", be received;

- 2) And that Schedule "C" of Parking By-law 2005-188, be amended by prohibiting parking on the east side of Lazenby Court, from 8am 2pm, Sundays only, between the north property line of #3 Lazenby Court and the property line between #18 and #19 Lazenby Court;
- 3) And that Schedule "C" of Parking By-law 2005-188, be amended by prohibiting parking at any time, on the east side of Rodick Road, between 16th Avenue to the north property line of #2141 Rodick Road;
- 4) And that Schedule "C" of Parking By-law 2005-188, be amended by deleting Rodick Road, between the south property line of #2133 Rodick Road and the north property line of #2137 Rodick Road;
- 5) And that the Operations Department be directed to install and maintain the appropriate regulatory signs at the subject locations;
- 6) 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 \$1,000;
- 7) 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;
- 8) 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 east side of Lazenby Court, in its entirety. Further, prohibiting parking on the east side of Rodick Road, opposite Agnes Kouying Tsao Catholic Church, is recommended. The intent of these recommendations is to resolve traffic safety issues associated with on-street parking.

BACKGROUND:

Lazenby Court is a local residential street located in near the intersection of 16th Avenue and Rodick Road. Staff was contacted regarding on-street parking activity occurring on Lazenby Court during Sunday mornings on a regular basis. Parking activity is believed to be caused by St.

Agnes Kouying Tsao Catholic Church, located nearby. Residents are concerned that the parking activity is compromising traffic safety on Lazenby Court.

DISCUSSION:

Lazenby Court cannot accommodate both on-street parking and maintain two-way traffic. Staff conducted a site assessment regarding the on-street parking concerns on Lazenby Court. With a road width of 8.5 metres, Lazenby Court is not able to facilitate two-way traffic flow when on-street parking activity is occurring on both sides of the street. Also, the standard six-metre clearance requirement to allow passage for large fire services vehicles would not be met.

A time-specific parking restriction on the east side of Lazenby Court is recommended.

Multiple site observations on Lazenby Court were conducted on Sundays when services were being held at the nearby church. Observations concluded that parking was occurring on both sides of Lazenby Court on a regular basis. The parking activity effectively narrowed the road to one-lane of traffic and caused difficulties with residents being able to access and egress their driveways. Given that this issue occurs only on Sundays, staff recommends prohibiting parking on the east side of Lazenby Court during Sundays, from 8:00am to 2:00pm (see Attachment "A"). This will effectively limit on-street parking to one side of the street only, thereby allowing two-way traffic flow to be maintained.

A parking prohibition on Rodick Road is recommended.

If the parking prohibition on Lazenby is implemented, vehicles may choose to park on Rodick Road as an alternative. Currently, there is an existing parking prohibition on the west side of Rodick Road adjacent to the church. However, no prohibition exists on the east side, with the exception of the intersection corners at Lazenby Court. Although parking activity is minimal, the existing road geometry and poor sightline visibility on this section of Rodick Road are not conducive to accommodate such activity. Therefore, staff recommends that parking be prohibited at any time on the east side of Rodick Road, from 16th Avenue to #2141 Rodick Road.

Staff has notified all affected residents of Lazenby Court and Rodick Road of the proposed parking prohibitions.

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:

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ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A – Proposed Parking Restriction Map

Attachment B - By-Law Amendment