

Report to: Development Services Committee Date Report Authored: August 11, 2011

**SUBJECT**:

Whitehall Drive Proposed Parking Prohibition

PREPARED BY:

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

1. That the staff report entitled "Whitehall Drive Proposed Parking Prohibition", be received;

- 2. And that Schedule "C" of Traffic By-law 2005-188, be amended by including the north/west side of Whitehall Ave, between a point 179 metres south of Apple Creek Boulevard and a point 430 metres east of Rodick Road;
- 3. And that the Operations Department be directed to install the appropriate signs at the subject locations, funded through the Operations Department account # 083-5399-8402-005;
- 4. And that the Operations Department be directed to maintain the signs at the subject locations;
- 5. And that the Parking Control Department be directed to enforce the parking prohibition upon installation of the signs;
- 6. And that staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

### **PURPOSE:**

This report recommends prohibiting parking at the subject location to resolve traffic operational issues associated with on-street parking.

### **BACKGROUND:**

## Need to address parking concerns on Whitehall Drive

Operations Department was notified of a traffic safety concern related to vehicles consistently parking on the north/west side of the curve adjacent to the commercial property located at 200 Whitehall Drive. Whitehall Drive is a local industrial road, located south and east of Apple Creek Boulevard and Rodick Road. The resident claims that parking activity is creating traffic operational issues, more specifically, inhibiting visibility as drivers approach the curve.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

# Parking prohibition recommended on Whitehall Drive

Traffic Operations staff conducted an assessment of parking conditions on Whitehall Drive. Although no recent collisions have been identified, it was confirmed that on-street parking is a regular occurrence on north/west side of the street, adjacent to 200 Whitehall Drive, and is restricting visibility for drivers as they approach the curve. To ensure minimum visibility requirements are met, it is recommended that a parking prohibition be implemented on Whitehall Drive, at the curve (see Attachment "B").

Any displaced vehicles as a result of this restriction can be easily accommodated elsewhere on Whitehall Drive. Staff will continue to monitor parking activities on Whitehall Drive following implementation to ensure operational safety is not further compromised. The Property Manager of 200 Whitehall Drive has been advised and is supportive of the proposed prohibition.

#### FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The cost of materials and installation of the proposed parking prohibition signs has been included in the Operations Department account #83-5399-8402-005. On-going maintenance costs for this installation will be included in future Operations Department operating budgets.

### 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 – Whitehall Drive Location Map

Attachment B – By-Law Amendment