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PARKING REGULATION – “NO PARKING ANYTIME” LESLIE STREET TOWN OF EAST GWILLIMBURY

The Transportation and Works Committee recommends the adoption of the recommendations contained in the following report, August 23, 2006, from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works:

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. A “No Parking Anytime” zone be established on the east side of Leslie Street (Y.R. 12), from a point approximately 170 metres south of Milne Lane, southerly for 30 metres, in the Town of East Gwillimbury.
2. The Regional Solicitor prepare the necessary by-law.
3. The Regional Clerk forward this report to the Clerk of the Town of East Gwillimbury and to the Chief of York Regional Police.

2. PURPOSE

This report proposes a “No Parking Anytime” zone on the east side of Leslie Street, from a point approximately 170 metres south of Milne Lane, southerly for 30 metres, to address a potential traffic safety issue. In accordance with the *Highway Traffic Act*, a Regional by-law is required before any parking regulation can be signed and enforced.

3. BACKGROUND

A resident and business owner in the community of Queensville contacted Regional staff regarding safety concerns resulting from vehicles parked on the east side of Leslie Street, south of Milne Lane, in front of his veterinarian clinic, during soccer nights and after school events. A location plan is provided as *Attachment 1*.

The presence of these parked vehicles is creating safety concerns that arise when the parked vehicles block the visibility of pedestrians on the sidewalk and for vehicles entering and exiting the entrance to the veterinarian clinic.

4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS

Leslie Street from Milne Lane to a point approximately 200 metres south is a two-lane undivided urban arterial roadway that carries an average of 11,160 vehicles per day. The posted speed limit on this section of road is 50-km per hour.

Parking is currently permitted on the east and west side of Leslie Street in front of the residential homes. Queensville Public School is located on the east side of Leslie Street. A reverse paved shoulder exists on both sides of Leslie Street, parallel to the sidewalk, which continues through the community.

Queensville Public School has very limited parking for after school programs and soccer nights. Vehicles parking in the vicinity of the school create a visibility problem for drivers entering and exiting from the veterinarian clinic. The proposed “No Parking Anytime” zone would provide a clear view for drivers. Sufficient parking for sports and related activities is still available further north and south of this proposed no parking zone.

To address these potential safety concerns, it is proposed that a “No Parking Anytime” zone be implemented on the east side of Leslie Street from a point approximately 170 metres south of Milne Lane southerly for 30 metres. The proposed no parking zone will be posted with appropriate signage and monitored by the Region with enforcement carried out by the by-law staff of the Town of East Gwillimbury.

The Regional Clerk should, therefore, forward this report and the resulting “No Parking Anytime” by-law to the Clerk of the Town of East Gwillimbury with a request to carry out enforcement of the “No Parking Anytime” zone.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The costs associated with the manufacture and installation of the “No Parking Anytime” signs will be covered under the 2006 Roads Program Budget. In accordance with the Regional/Provincial Offences Agreement, the Town of East Gwillimbury will retain any enforcement revenue.

6. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

Town of East Gwillimbury staff have been consulted and agreed to the implementation of a “No Parking Anytime” regulation on Leslie Street. The enforcement of this by-law will be carried out by the enforcement staff of the Town of East Gwillimbury. In accordance with the agreement under the *Provincial Offences Act* for enforcement of Regional by-laws, any enforcement revenue will be retained by the Town of East Gwillimbury.

7. CONCLUSION

To address traffic safety concerns with respect to vehicles parked on the east side of Leslie Street, the implementation of a “No Parking Anytime” regulation is proposed on the east side of Leslie Street, from approximately 170 metres south of the south limit of Milne Lane to 30 metres southerly. By-law enforcement staff of the Town of East Gwillimbury, in accordance with the Regional and Provincial Offences Agreements, will carry out enforcement of this Regional by-law.

The Regional Clerk should forward this report and the adopted by-law to the Clerk of the Town of East Gwillimbury and to the Chief of York Regional Police.

The Senior Management Group has reviewed this report.

(The attachment referred to in this clause was included in the agenda for the June 8, 2006 Committee meeting.)