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| TO: | GENERAL COMMITTEE |
| SUBJECT: | INVESTIGATION PARKING PROHIBITION - VICINITY OF 125 HURONIA ROAD |
| WARD: | 8 |
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RECOMMENDED MOTION

1. That Traffic By-law 80-138, Schedule 'A', "No Parking Any Time" be amended by adding the following:

"Huronia Road Both sides of Huronia Road from Yonge Street to Little Avenue."

PURPOSE & BACKGROUND

2. Staff have received motion 19-G-268 which states "That staff in the Operations Department, investigate the feasibility of implementing parking prohibitions in the vicinity of 125 Huronia Road, between Little Avenue and Burton Avenue and report back to General Committee."
3. Huronia Road from Yonge Street to Little Avenue is a two (2) lane arterial roadway with a pavement width of 11.0 metres with white edge lines which provides a 2-metre-wide asphalt shoulder, and 3.5 metre travel lanes. There are residential driveway accesses on both sides of the road and no sidewalks.
4. Currently, parking is permitted along Huronia Road between Yonge Street and Little Avenue. Overnight on-street parking is prohibited from December 1st to March 31st, between 12:01 a.m. and 7:00 a.m.

ANALYSIS

5. A Parking Questionnaire was prepared and mailed to fifty-nine (59) property owners along Huronia Road to select a preferred option. Fifteen (15) responses were received and the results of the questionnaire are as follows:

| HURONIA ROAD ON-STREET PARKING SURVEY | RESPONSES RECEIVED IN FAVOUR | PERCENTAGE OF RESPONSES |
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| Option "A" – Maintain the current on-street parking along both sides of Huronia Road from Yonge Street to Little Avenue. | 2 | 13% |
| Option "B" – Implement "No Parking Anytime" along both sides of Huronia Road from Yonge Street to Little Avenue. | 13 | 87% |
| <u>Total (Out of 59)</u> | 15 | 25% |

6. Staff have completed field observations and reviewed responses from the parking questionnaire. Respondents identified two major concerns along Huronia Road from Yonge Street to Little Avenue.
7. Residents identified that when vehicles are parked on the shoulders, it forces pedestrians to enter the roadway to maneuver around the vehicles.
8. With there being residential driveways on Huronia Road between Yonge Street and Little Avenue. Residents expressed that it was difficult to exit driveways when there are parked vehicles on the shoulders. The parked vehicles would create sight line restrictions for motorists to see oncoming traffic from Huronia Road.
9. Based on feedback from area residents and staff observations it is recommended that Traffic By-law 80-138 Schedule "A", "No Parking Anytime" be amended by adding the following:
- "Huronia Road Both side of Huronia Road from Yonge Street to Little Avenue."
10. The proposed "No Parking Anytime" along both sides of Huronia Road is recommended to prevent vehicles from parking along both sides of the asphalt shoulders which gives little space for pedestrians to safely manoeuvre. In addition, parked vehicles can create a sight line restrictions for motorists leaving their residential driveways and entering the arterial roadway.
11. Barrie Police Service, Barrie Fire and Emergency Service and Municipal Law Enforcement staff do not oppose the recommended motion.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACT MATTERS

12. There are no environmental and/or climate change impact matters related to the recommendation.

ALTERNATIVES

13. There is one (1) alternative available for consideration by General Committee:

Alternative 1 General Committee could decide to maintain the current on-street parking on both sides of Huronia Road.

This alternative is not recommended as vehicles currently park along both sides of the roadway which gives little space for pedestrians to safely manoeuvre. In addition, parked vehicles create a sight line concern for motorists leaving their residential driveways onto an arterial roadway.

FINANCIAL

14. The cost of implementing the proposed parking regulations is approximately \$1,500 which can be accommodated in the 2020 Operation budget.

LINKAGE TO 2018-2022 STRATEGIC PLAN

15. The recommendation included in this Staff Report support the following goals identified in the 2018-2022 Strategic Plan:
- a) Improving the ability to get around Barrie.
16. The recommendation of implementing "No Parking Anytime" along both sides of Huronia Road from Yonge Street to Little Avenue will prevent vehicles from parking along both sides of the road on the asphalt shoulders. This will increase space and improve safety for pedestrians walking along Huronia Road. Furthermore, free up sight line restrictions with parked vehicles for entering and exiting residential driveways.

APPENDIX "A"

