
TO: GENERAL COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: GOLFDALE ROAD NO PARKING ANYTIME RESTRICTIONS

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RECOMMENDED MOTION

1. That Traffic By-law 2020-107, Schedule '1', "No Parking Anytime" be amended by adding the following:

"Golfdale Road South side from Coulter Street to Glenwood Drive."

PURPOSE & BACKGROUND

2. Staff in the Development Services Department received the request to investigate the feasibility of implementing No Parking Anytime restrictions on Golfdale Road and report back to General Committee.
3. Golfdale Road is a two-lane local roadway with an Average Annual Daily Traffic of approximately 280 vehicles and an urban cross-section with 8.5 metres of pavement width. The road is made up of single detached homes, townhomes, and low rise apartments. There are sidewalks on both sides of the road which provide connectivity to Coulter Street and Glenwood Drive which feed to arterial roads. Please refer to the area map in Appendix "A".
4. Currently, parking is permitted on both sides of Golfdale Road. Overnight on-street parking prohibition is applied from December 1st to March 31st between 12:01 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. for winter maintenance.

ANALYSIS

5. Staff performed preliminary site investigations to understand the current parking and traffic operations on Golfdale Road. Golfdale Road was investigated in the morning, afternoon, and evening hours – approximately 8:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. on multiple weekdays outside of winter restrictions. Staff found that at all times investigated there was an average of 14 vehicles parked on the road. With vehicles parked on both sides of the road it created inadequate lane widths as the road was restricted to a single lane of travel. Staff found in some cases vehicles were parked within 15m of the intersection of Coulter Street as well as within 1.5m of driveways on

the south side. These parked vehicles cause sightline restrictions for turning vehicles on the road and egress from driveways.

6. Staff recommends installing No Parking Anytime on the south side of Golfdale Road between Coulter Street and Glenwood Drive. This will allow for vehicles to safely utilize on-street parking on the north side of the road where there are large curb faces with only few driveways as single-family homes are located on the south side of the road. This restriction will allow safe movement for road users while still permitting on-street parking.
7. Based on the site investigations, Staff recommends that the following amendments are to be made to the Traffic By-Law.

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8. Barrie Police Service, Barrie Fire and Emergency Service and Municipal Law Enforcement Staff do not oppose the recommendation.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACT MATTERS

9. There are no environmental and climate change impacts related to the recommendation.

ALTERNATIVES

10. The following alternatives are available for consideration by General Committee:

Alternative #1 General Committee could maintain the existing Traffic By-Law 2020-107 Schedule '1', "No Parking Anytime". (i.e., Status Quo)

This alternative is not recommended as it has been identified by Staff that there is a continuous conflict with parked vehicles on Golfdale Road. This is a safety concern for pedestrians and motorists as parked vehicles create inadequate lane widths and sight line restrictions for all road users.

Alternative #2 General committee could amend Traffic By-law 2020-107 Schedule '1', "No Parking Anytime". (North side of Golfdale Road from Coulter Street to Glenwood Drive)

This alternative is not recommended as the south side of the road does not have much opportunity to park without impeding driveway accesses. With restricting the large curb faces on the north side, this would lead to future concerns with By-Law enforcement in front of homes on the south side.

FINANCIAL

11. The costs associated with the installation of "No Parking Anytime" signs are approximately \$300 and can be accommodated in the 2023 Operating Budget.

LINKAGE TO 2022–2026 STRATEGIC PLAN

12. The recommendation included in this Staff Report supports the following goal identified in the 2022-2026 Strategic Plan:
- Community Safety – Address speeding and aggressive driving to ensure street and pedestrian safety.
13. The recommendation of amending the “No Parking Anytime” Traffic By-law to further restrict parking on Golfdale Road will improve safety for motorists and pedestrians. The recommendation also provides permitted on-street parking in areas where it is safer to park. This prioritizes Council’s goal of creating safer streets.

Attached: Appendix “A” – Golfdale Road No Parking Anytime

APPENDIX "A"

Golfdale Road No Parking Anytime

