
TO: GENERAL COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: PARKING PROHIBITION ON LESLIE AVENUE

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RECOMMENDED MOTION

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

"Leslie Avenue From Mapleton Avenue to a point 30 metres north thereof West Side"

"Leslie Avenue From Mapleton Avenue to Basswood Drive East Side"

PURPOSE & BACKGROUND

2. Staff Report ENG021-12 reviews parking concerns regarding vehicles parking on both sides of the roadway on Leslie Avenue from Mapleton Avenue to Basswood Drive. As a result of the investigation the recommended motion would prohibit vehicles from parking on both sides of the roadway, therefore improving safety and operation of the roadway.
3. The Engineering Department received a concern from a resident forwarded through the Ward Councillor regarding on-street parking along both sides of Leslie Avenue from Mapleton Avenue to Basswood Drive.
4. Leslie Avenue is a two-lane local roadway with a pavement width of 8.5 metres, and sidewalk on one side, please refer to Appendix "A".
5. Leslie Avenue is located within Ward 7.
6. Currently on-street parking is permitted on both sides of Leslie Avenue.
7. Overnight on-street parking is prohibited from December 1st to March 31st, between 12:01 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. for the purpose of snow clearing.

ANALYSIS

8. During a site visit to Leslie Avenue, staff observed that vehicles parked near the intersection of Mapleton Avenue on both sides of Leslie Avenue caused operational and safety concerns due to reduced roadway widths and sightlines.

9. A Parking Questionnaire was prepared and mailed to 37 property owners on Leslie Avenue. Results of the Parking Questionnaire responses are as follows:

LESLIE AVENUE ON-STREET PARKING SURVEY	RESPONSES RECEIVED	PERCENTAGE OF RESPONSES
Leave current parking in place on both sides Leslie Avenue from Mapleton Avenue to Basswood Drive	3	30%
Implement No Parking entirely on the east side of Leslie Avenue from Mapleton Avenue to Basswood Drive. Please refer to the attached map.	3	30%
Implement No Parking entirely on the west side of Leslie Avenue from Mapleton Avenue to Basswood Drive. Please refer to the attached map.	1	10%
Implement No Parking on both the east and west sides of Leslie Avenue from Mapleton Avenue to Basswood Drive. Please refer to the attached map.	3	30%
TOTAL (Out of 37)	10	27%

10. Respondents expressed concerns about parking along Leslie Avenue which limits the lane width for vehicles to manoeuvre when accessing their driveways. Respondents also expressed concerns regarding roadway congestion and limited sight lines while travelling through the intersection of Leslie Avenue and Mapleton Drive.
11. Based on survey results and staff review, staff recommend that By-law 80-138 Schedule "A", "No Parking Anytime" be amended by adding the following:
- "Leslie Avenue From Mapleton Avenue to a point 30 metres north thereof West Side"
- "Leslie Avenue From Mapleton Avenue to Basswood Drive East Side"
12. The proposed "No Parking" on the east side of Leslie Avenue would provide adequate sight distance and throat clearance for vehicles entering off Mapleton Avenue. In addition the parking prohibition will no longer reduce the roadway width thereby providing a safe and effective operation of the roadway.
13. Staff reviewed the collision history on Leslie Avenue and found no reported collisions involving vehicles parked on the street.
14. Barrie Police Service, Barrie Fire and Emergency Service and Municipal Law Enforcement do not oppose the recommended motion.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

15. There are no environmental matters related to the recommendation.

ALTERNATIVES

16. The following alternatives are available for consideration by General Committee.

Alternative #1

General Committee could decide not to prohibit on-street parking on Leslie Avenue, from Mapleton Avenue to Basswood Drive.

This alternative is not recommended as vehicles parked on both sides of Leslie Avenue cause operational and safety concerns.

Alternative #2

General Committee could decide to prohibit on-street parking entirely on both sides of Leslie Avenue, from Mapleton Avenue to Basswood Drive.

This alternative is not recommended as Leslie Avenue is a residential roadway with operational concerns at isolated sections of the road.

FINANCIAL

17. The installation of No-Parking Signs would cost approximately \$600 and can be accommodated in the 2012 Business Plan.

LINKAGE TO COUNCIL STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

18. The recommendation included in this Staff Report is not specifically related to the goals identified in the 2010-2014 City Council Strategic Plan.

APPENDIX "A"

