



City of Peterborough

TO: Members of the Committee of the Whole

FROM: W.H. Jackson, Director of Utility Services

MEETING DATE: December 8, 2008

SUBJECT: Report USTR08-028
Calendar Parking on Alexander Avenue

PURPOSE

A report to introduce one hour Calendar Parking on Alexander Avenue.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report USTR08-028 dated December 8, 2008, from the Director of Utility Services, as follows:

That on Alexander Avenue from Sherbrooke Street to Alexander Court:

- a) The existing one-hour parking limit on both sides of the street be rescinded; and
- b) One-hour Calendar Parking be implemented

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The implementation of calendar parking on Alexander Avenue will cost approximately \$1,500.00, funds for which are available from the 2008 annual sign maintenance budget.

BACKGROUND

On September 17, 2008 Staff received a request to implement Calendar Parking on Alexander Avenue from Sherbrooke Street to Alexander Court because it was felt parked vehicles created a hazard and reduced road capacity. Typically, Calendar Parking prohibits parking on one side of the street from the 1st to 15th of the month and on the other side of the street from the 16th to end of the month.

Alexander Avenue is a two-lane local road connecting Sherbrooke Street to Alexander Court and the new Peterborough Regional Health Center (PRHC) parking facilities. This road is 8.1 m wide, carries approximately 3,900 vehicles per day and there are no sidewalks. Currently parking is restricted to 1-hour maximum on both sides of the street.

In accordance with existing policy, Staff surveyed the households on Alexander Avenue from Sherbrooke Street to Alexander Court asking residents to indicate their choice for parking restrictions on their street. The survey included 32 households and the results of the survey are as follows (also see Appendix A);

	No. of Surveys	% of Total Surveys
1-Hour Calendar Parking,	6	19%
1-Hour Calendar Parking 8:00am – 5:00pm	8	25%
Leave as is	5	16%
Did Not Respond	13	41%

The minimum criteria to initiate parking changes on a residential street is that a minimum of 60% of the households surveyed agree to the changes.

The results indicate that the minimum criteria were not met.

Although the neighbourhood survey failed to support this request there are historic local area parking issues associated with on-street parking within the vicinity of PRHC. In this regard, staff conducted numerous site visits and observed vehicles parked on both sides of Alexander Avenue for longer than the current one-hour limit. A review of parking infractions confirmed an ongoing parking issue.

A break down of the survey results reveals that 14 of the 19 households that responded to the survey would like some form of Calendar Parking. To address this, staff is of the opinion that one-hour Calendar Parking should be implemented on Alexander Avenue to match that previously approved on Fairmount Boulevard, Westbrook Drive and Glencairn Avenue to provide a consistency within the neighbourhood.

Submitted by:



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Attachments:

Appendix A – Condition Diagram and Survey Results

Contact Name

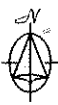
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ALEXANDER AVE

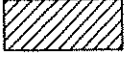


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ALEXANDER AVE
 1 HOUR PARKING

BUS STOP

'NEW' SIGN WITH STOP AHEAD

STOP & STREET NAME SIGNS

-  1-HOUR CALENDAR PARKING
-  1-HOUR CALENDAR PARKING 8:00am - 5:00pm
-  LEAVE AS IS



APPENDIX A
 ALEXANDER AVENUE
 CONDITION DIAGRAM

UTILITY SERVICES
 DEPARTMENT
 TRAFFIC SECTION