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## **Timothy Street Parking Review Staff Report to Council**

Report Number: 2020-50

Department(s): Engineering Services

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Meeting Date: July 20, 2020

### **Recommendations**

1. That the report entitled Timothy Street Parking Review dated July 20, 2020 be received; and,
2. That the parking amendments in Appendix A be adopted; and,
3. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to amend the Parking Bylaw to create a No Parking zone on the south side of Timothy Street from Church Street eastward around the Trading Tree area, which is located just west of Main Street.

### **Background**

Traffic and parking operations on Timothy Street, east of Church Street and in the area of the Trading Tree located west of Main Street, were reviewed as a result of an internal observation for potential conflicts. Timothy Street is a one-way street westward from Main to Church Street. In the area of the Trading Tree, the pavement width narrows significantly from about 6.0 metres to a little slightly less than 4.0 metres. Any vehicle parked in, or immediately adjacent to, the narrowed area can either restrict the flow of traffic or can create a blockage. Appendix B illustrates the area and parking restrictions.

## **Discussion**

The creation of a No Parking zone in this area will enhance traffic operations and safety. Any vehicles parked in this area, or poorly parked at the approach, would cause traffic restrictions or even blockage. This is a particular concern in regards to larger vehicles and, in particular, Central York Fire Services' fire trucks. The proposed "No Parking" zone is essential to keep this section of the roadway clear of parked cars, thereby maintaining the pavement width required for larger vehicles.

The creation of this No Parking zone would remove one (1) on-street parking space which is located where the road begins to narrow and is the root of the issue.

## **Conclusion**

Therefore, it is recommended that the Parking Bylaw be amended to add a No Parking zone on the south side of Timothy Street from Church Street to the east side of the Trading Tree area.

## **Business Plan and Strategic Plan Linkages**

Well-planned and connected...strategically planning for the future to improve information access and enhance travel to, from, and within Newmarket.

## **Consultation**

The Town consulted 14 households that would be impacted by parking restrictions by sending a letter requesting their input (dated October 28, 2019). The Town received only one response, which discussed parking in general on Timothy Street but did not object to the changes being proposed.

All households within the study area will receive a copy of this report and a notice indicating the date and time of the Committee of the Whole at which the matter will be heard. Residents who wish to address the Committee will have the opportunity to do so at that time.

The Town's Legislative Services Department has been contacted, and they are in support of the parking restriction.

## **Human Resource Considerations**

None

## **Budget Impact**

The “No Parking” signs and poles to be installed will cost less than \$1,000.00. There are sufficient funds in the Operating Budget to cover this expense.

## **Attachments**

Appendix A – Proposed Parking Bylaw Amendment

Appendix B – Map of Timothy Street and Parking Restrictions

## **Approval**

Rachel Prudhomme, Director, Engineering Services

Peter Noehammer, Commissioner, Development & Infrastructure Services

## **Contact**

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