



Staff Report for Council Meeting

Date of Meeting: July 8, 2020
Report Number: SRPRS.20.090

Department: Planning and Regulatory Services
Division: Development Engineering & Transportation

Subject: SRPRS.20.090 – Parking Prohibition on
Bridgewater Drive

Purpose:

To implement a parking prohibition along one side on Bridgewater Drive to address operational and safety issues raised by residents.

Recommendation(s):

- a) That By-law No. 75-20 (Attachment 2 to Staff Report SRPRS.20.090) be enacted to amend Schedule "A" of the Parking Regulation By-law No. 402-89 (Municipal Code Chapter 1116) to prohibit parking on the west side of Bridgewater Drive from Stouffville Road to the south limit.
- b) That By-law No. 75-20 (Attachment 2 to Staff Report SRPRS.20.090) be enacted to amend Schedule "A" of the Parking Regulation By-law No. 402-89 (Municipal Code Chapter 1116) to prohibit parking on the east side of Bridgewater Drive from a point 60m south of Stouffville Road to a point 50m southerly thereof.
- c) That By-law No. 75-20 (Attachment 2 to Staff Report SRPRS.20.090) be enacted to amend Schedule "A" of the Parking Regulation By-law No. 402-89 (Municipal Code Chapter 1116) to prohibit parking on the east side of Bridgewater Drive from a point 190m south of Stouffville Road to a point 85m southerly thereof.

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Report Approval:

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Approved by: Mary-Anne Dempster, City Manager

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Background:

This report has been prepared in response to residents request to impose parking restrictions on Bridgewater Drive, due to significant vehicular parking demand on both sides of Bridgewater Drive that have resulted in insufficient pavement width to accommodate emergency vehicle access and two-way traffic flow.

Bridgewater Drive is a local residential road with a 20 m right-of-way and a pavement width of 8.5 m. The road is approximately 620 m long, and has a single point of access from Stouffville Road and terminates at a cul-de-sac. There is no sidewalk on Bridgewater Drive.

The closure of various park amenities because of the COVID-19 pandemic has led to an increase in the number of users of the TRCA trail system within Jefferson Forest. Many of the users of the TRCA trail system were observed to park their vehicles on Bridgewater Drive.

Staff have reviewed and have confirmed residents' concerns.

Emergency temporary parking prohibition signs have been deployed on Bridgewater Drive to ensure that emergency vehicles and two-way traffic can continue be accommodated until permanent signage is implemented.

A notice (see Attachment 3) was circulated to all affected residences advising of the proposed parking prohibition along the west side of Bridgewater Drive. Based on feedback from residents and a further field investigation, staff also recommend that on-street parking be prohibited along the east side of the two sharp curves on Bridgewater Drive.

Attachment 1 illustrates the proposed parking prohibitions on Bridgewater Drive.

Financial/Staffing/Other Implications:

The cost for installing new signage is estimated to be in the order of \$4,500.00. The associated cost will be accommodated from the Community Services Department's Maintenance and Operations budget. There will be no other financial or staffing implications with the recommendations of this staff report.

Relationship to the Strategic Plan:

The recommendation of this report is consistent with the City's Strategic Plan's objective of maintaining an efficient road network and enhancing community safety. It also demonstrates responsible municipal management of the City's road network.

Conclusion:

In order to maintain emergency vehicle access and two-way traffic flow on Bridgewater Drive, as well as improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists, staff recommend parking

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prohibitions be implemented along the west side of the entire length of Bridgewater Drive. Staff also recommend parking prohibitions be implemented on the east side along the two sharp curves of Bridgewater Drive to minimize any potential visibility issues.

Attachments:

The following attached documents may include scanned images of appendixes, maps and photographs. If you require an alternative format, please call the contact person listed in this document.

- Attachment 1: Proposed parking prohibitions on Bridgewater Drive
- Attachment 2: Proposed By-law No. 75-20
- Attachment 3: Notice to Residents

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Report Approval Details

Document Title:	SRPRS.20.090 - Parking Prohibition on Bridgewater Drive.docx
Attachments:	- SRPRS.20.090 Attachment 1 - Bridgewater Parking Prohibition Map.pdf - SRPRS.20.090 - Attachment 1 - Bridgewater Report.pdf - SRPRS.20.090 Attachment 2 Bylaw 75-20.docx - SRPRS.20.090 -Attachment 3 - Public Notice.pdf
Final Approval Date:	Jun 17, 2020

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Dan Terziewski - Jun 17, 2020 - 12:39 PM

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