

To: Members of General Committee

From: Cynthia Fletcher

Commissioner of Infrastructure and Planning Services

Meeting Date: May 6, 2019

Subject: Report IPSTR19-007

Parking Restrictions on Rosedale Avenue

Purpose

A report to recommend the implementation of calendar parking and a one hour parking restriction on Rosedale Avenue, from Weller Street to Hopkins Avenue.

Recommendations

That Council approves the recommendations outlined in Report USTR19-007 dated May 6, 2019, of the Commissioner of Infrastructure and Planning Services, as follows:

- a) That Calendar Parking and a one hour parking restriction be implemented on both sides of Rosedale Avenue, from Weller Street to Hopkins Avenue.
- b) That a By-law be approved to amend the appropriate Schedules and Articles of Parking By-law 09-136 to authorize implementation of Recommendation a).

Budget and Financial Implications

Implementation of the recommended calendar parking on Rosedale Avenue will cost approximately \$1,000, funds for which are available in the 2018 annual sign maintenance budget.

Background

In April 2018, staff received a request from area residents to implement Calendar Parking on Rosedale Avenue, from Weller Street to Hopkins Avenue. Residents expressed concern that vehicles parked on both sides of Rosedale Avenue create a hazard to vehicular visibility and for pedestrian traffic, as there are no sidewalks on this street. 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 the end of the month.

Residents were also concerned that much of the daytime on-street parking activity is due to employees or visitors to the Hospital and Medical Center, who do not want to pay for parking in the existing lots. The one-hour restriction, will only allow short term on-street parking to support the residential neighbourhood, and will reduce the tendency for longer term parking. Two previous requests for restrictions were reviewed by staff in 2012 and 2017. Results of the neighbourhood survey at the time failed to achieve the required resident consensus to initiate changes to existing parking restrictions on Rosedale Avenue.

Site Details

Rosedale Avenue is a two-lane local road in a residential area. The road cross-section is approximately 9.3 metres wide with no curb or sidewalks on either side of the road. Currently, parking is only restricted to the default 3-hour limit. A sketch of the subject area is shown in Appendix A.

Parking Survey

In accordance with existing policy, staff surveyed the households on Rosedale Avenue from Weller Street to Hopkins Avenue asking residents to indicate their choice for parking restrictions on their street. The survey included the 8 households that are directly affected by the parking restrictions and the results of the survey are as follows:

	No of Surveys returned	Percentage of total
		surveys issued
Calendar Parking	5	62.5%
Leave as it is	1	12.5%
Not like either option provided	1	12.5%

The criterion 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 62.5% of residents support Calendar Parking. In response to the survey, a number of residents also expressed some support for a complete restriction of parking on Rosedale Avenue to address the issue of Hospital and Clinic employees parking in the neighbourhood. In response to this, staff is recommending the posting of a one hour parking time limit be included in the parking restriction changes implemented on Rosedale Avenue, from Weller Street to Hopkins Avenue.

Summary

The parking survey results met the minimum criteria to implement changes to parking restrictions on a residential street. The implementation of Calendar Parking on both sides of Rosedale Avenue from Weller Street to Hopkins Avenue, with a one hour restriction will ensure that the street is not blocked by parking on both sides of the road and will reduce transient parking from the Hospital and Medical Center employees and patrons. A similar approach has been used on other residential streets in the vicinity of the Hospital.

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