



City of
Peterborough

To: Members of the General Committee

From: Blair Nelson, Commissioner, Infrastructure, Planning and Growth Management (Acting)

Meeting Date: May 13, 2024

Report: Removal of Calendar Parking Restriction on Humber Road, Report IPGENG24-012

Subject

A report to recommend the removal of Calendar Parking restriction on Humber Road.

Recommendation

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report IPGENG24-012, dated May 13, 2024, of the Commissioner of Infrastructure, Planning and Growth Management (Acting) as follows:

That the Calendar Parking restriction be removed on Humber Road, between the south side of Saugeen Crescent and 536 Humber Road.

Executive Summary

- In response to neighbourhood concerns, staff undertook a parking survey to obtain feedback on a request to remove the current Calendar Parking restriction on Humber Road and return to the default maximum 3-hour on-street parking restriction.
- The survey received a 60% (18 of 30 households) response rate with 61% (11 households) of respondents indicating their preference to return to the maximum 3-hour on-street parking restriction.

- The survey also included an opportunity for residents to provide comments. Numerous residents stated that more enforcement was required to make the current Calendar Parking restriction effective.
- Parking enforcement resources are limited having only one mobile enforcement officer available, outside of the downtown. With the recent implementation of the Municipal Law Enforcement Division, it is anticipated that in the future there will be additional resources available to focus on parking enforcement in school areas.
- The parking survey indicated 61% of the residents that responded chose the option of a maximum 3-hour on-street parking restriction, as such, staff recommend the removal of the current Calendar Parking restriction.

Background

Humber Road is a local road that runs north-south from Southlawn Drive and east-west along the north side of Otonabee Valley Public School, where it terminates in a cul-de-sac. There is a sidewalk on the east, north and south side of Humber Road and a partial sidewalk on the west side from the bend in the road to # 601 Humber Road. Where Humber Road turns to the east, there is a walking foot path connection that leads to Otonabee Valley Public School. The use of the foot path is popular for students of Otonabee Valley Public School, and as a result, the east-west portion of Humber Road is also a popular parent drop-off and pick up location during admission and dismissal times.

In October 2021, in response to parking and safety concerns raised by members of the neighbourhood, Council approved Report IPSTR21-016 which established Calendar Parking on both sides of Humber Road from the south side of Saugeen Crescent to the cul-de-sac at 536 Humber Road. Since the implementation of the Calendar Parking restriction, staff have received numerous complaints from area residents concerned that parents continue to park on both sides of the street during pick-up and drop-off times and there is insufficient enforcement. Several residents have also expressed that the current parking restrictions negatively impact residents outside school times by restricting the amount of on-street parking for visitors.

In response to neighbourhood concerns, staff undertook a parking survey to obtain feedback on a request to remove the current Calendar Parking restriction on Humber Road and return to the default maximum 3-hour on-street parking restriction. The survey included 30 households and the results of the survey are summarized in Table 1, as follows:

Table 1 – Parking Survey Summary – Humber Road 2024

	No. of Surveys	Percentage of Surveys	Percentage of Respondent Support
Leave Calendar Parking	7	23%	39%
Maximum 3-Hour on-street Restriction	11	37%	61%
Did Not Respond	12	40%	
	30		

The survey received a 60% (18 of 30 households) response rate with 61% (11 of 30 households) of respondents indicating their preference to return to the maximum 3-hour on-street parking restriction.

The survey also included an opportunity for residents to provide comments. Numerous residents stated that more enforcement was required to make the current Calendar Parking restriction effective.

Since the implementation of the Calendar Parking restriction on Humber Road, staff have regularly dispatched the City's mobile parking enforcement officer to the Humber Road site during school admission and dismissal time. Having only one mobile enforcement officer available, outside of the downtown, it has proven difficult to provide adequate parking enforcement at 30 schools with similar issues during admission and dismissal time. With the recent implementation of the Municipal Law Enforcement Division, it is anticipated that in the future there will be additional resources available to focus on parking enforcement in school areas.

In March 2022, Council approved Report IPSTR22-003 – Transportation Master Plan Phase 4 – Approval of Infrastructure and Policy Recommendations. The Transportation Master Plan (TMP) identified several key infrastructure policy initiatives such as Complete Streets, Goods Movement, Road Safety, and Emerging Technologies. The Road Safety Strategy included in the TMP outlines a road safety program that adopts a safe systems approach for the design of new infrastructure and includes five key areas of emphasis, including Safe School Zones, Safety for Vulnerable Users, Safe Neighbourhoods, Safe Corridors, and Safe Intersections. Each road safety initiative is approached using a combination of Engineering measures, targeted Education and Enforcement.

Safe School Zone recommendations include:

- The development of school area traffic management plans to better manage on-site and on-street parking, student pick-up and drop off protocols, management of school bus loading areas, and designating safe walking and cycling routes to schools.
- Proactive enforcement of no parking / no stopping restrictions in school areas during school times.

It is anticipated, the implementation of these recommendations will reduce neighbourhood parking concerns in school areas. The Transportation Safety Program and Implementation Strategy project approved in the 2024 Capital budget will identify and prioritize the plan for the implementation of these recommendations.

Strategic Plan

Strategic Pillar: Community & Well-being

Strategic Priority: Promote and enforce traffic safety on City roads.

This report supports the strategic pillar of Community & Well-being by seeking community feedback through the parking survey and adjusting parking restrictions that will help promote and enforce traffic safety on City roads.

Strategic Pillar: Governance & Fiscal Sustainability

Strategic Priority: Support review/update of City's by-laws to make them effective and efficient, meeting the needs of our growing City.

It also supports the strategic pillar of Governance & Fiscal Sustainability in that it supports the review/update of the City's parking by-law to make it more effective and efficient, meeting the needs of our growing City.

Engagement and Consultation

In response to neighbourhood concerns, staff engaged with affected neighbourhood residents through a parking survey and provided an opportunity for residents to provide additional comments.

Budget and Financial Implications

Removal of the current calendar parking restrictions on Humber Road will cost approximately \$500, funds for which are available in the 2024 annual sign maintenance budget.

Conclusion

In response to requests for changes to on-street parking regulations on Humber Road, staff completed a parking study and conducted a neighbourhood survey. Of the 60% of households who responded to the survey, 61% of households indicated their preference to remove the current Calendar Parking restriction and return to the maximum 3-hour on-street parking restriction. Staff have reviewed the neighbourhood surveys and other feedback received and recommend the removal of the calendar parking restriction.

Attachments

Appendix A: Map of Humber Road Parking Survey

Appendix B: Draft By-law to amend By-law 09-136 The Parking By-law

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Appendix A: Humber Road Parking Survey



Appendix B: Draft By-law to amend By-law 09-136



The Corporation of the City of Peterborough

By-Law Number XXXXXX

Being a By-law to Amend By-Law 09-136 being a By-law to for the Regulation of Parking in the City of Peterborough

Now Therefore, The Corporation of the City of Peterborough by the Council thereof hereby enacts as follows:

1. **That Schedule I of By-Law 09-136 be amended by removing the following:**

Highway	Side	Between	Prohibited Times or Days	Amending By-Law Number and Date
Humber RD	Both	Humber Road, between the south side of Saugeen Crescent and 536 Humber Road	Anytime North side of street 1st to 15th day of each month. South side of street 16th to last day of each month OF EACH MONTH	24-0XX May XX, 2024

By-law passed this day of May, 2024.

Jeff Leal, Mayor

John Kennedy, City Clerk