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REQUEST FOR DECISION

DATE: August 14, 2019 Report No. EPW-19-027

TO: Laurie Hurst, Chief Administrative Officer

FROM: Jeff Miller, Director of Engineering and Public Works

SUBJECT:

Hutchinson Avenue “Residential Parking Only” Petition

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approves the implementation of Traffic Order 1309 “Residential Parking Only” along Hutchinson Avenue, as set out in Staff Report EPW-19-027.

RELEVANT POLICY:

Streets and Traffic Regulation Bylaw, 2017, No. 2898

STRATEGIC RELEVANCE:

Healthy, Livable & Diverse Community - Multi-Modal Strategies

BACKGROUND:

Hutchinson Avenue is designated as a local road, but is also one of two roads that provide access from Colville Road into the Rockheights neighbourhood. The streetscape is one of single-family homes. The length of road under consideration is 20 metres long and runs between Colville Road and the E&N Rail Trail. Currently, there is a No Parking restriction on the west side of this road segment at the intersection of Hutchinson Avenue and Colville Road.

The Township has received a request from residents for the implementation of ‘Residential Parking Only’ along the east side of the road segment. Their concern is that vehicles from the multi-family housing units and park area, located to the north, may use the parking on the north end of Hutchinson Avenue. See Attachment A for Traffic Order including location map.

ISSUES:

1. Rationale for Selected Option

In accordance with Council Policy E&PW-03 Township Guide to Parking Restrictions (Guide), the lead resident undertook the canvassing of the residents on the street.

The results of the survey are:

- Number of properties canvassed: 2 of 2
- Test 1 - 90% of properties canvassed
- Number of property owners who signed the petition: 2 of 2
- Test 2 - 80% of properties signed the petition

See Attachment B for the Parking Petition. As per the Guide, the petition meets both of the tests for a parking restriction to be implemented.

The proposed parking restriction encompasses residential parking only located 9.0m south of the northwesterly property corner of 1135 Colville Road and extending southerly for 20.0m along Hutchinson Avenue. Signage will be installed as per Part IV, Division 1, section 14 (n) of the Streets and Traffic Regulation Bylaw, 2017, No. 2898.

2. Organizational Implications

The proposed Traffic Order would be prepared by Engineering and signed by the Corporate Officer and the Director of Engineering and Public Works. Public Works would then install the parking restriction signage along the street. The Traffic Order would be added to the Community Safety Services Department's patrol routes for enforcement (Bylaw). These activities would not impose any organizational implications.

3. Financial Implications

The Traffic Order implementation and enforcement can be accommodated within the current operational budgets for the various departments that will be involved in the issuing of the Traffic Order.

4. Sustainability & Environmental Implications

There are no sustainability or environmental implications related to the Traffic Order.

5. Communication & Engagement

Once approved, the lead resident would be informed that the petition was accepted and that the Traffic Order will be implemented. It is assumed that the lead resident will update residents who signed the petition. After the signage has been installed, the users of on-street parking will be given a grace period before tickets will be issued by the Town's bylaw officers.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. That Council approves the implementation of Traffic Order 1309 "Residential Parking Only" along Hutchinson Avenue, as set out in Staff Report EPW-19-027.

2. That Council not approve the implementation of Traffic Order 1309 "Residential Parking Only" along Hutchinson Avenue.

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