

Staff Report



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REPORT TO: Community and Infrastructure Services Committee

DATE OF MEETING: April 4, 2022

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WARD(S) INVOLVED: Ward 9

DATE OF REPORT: March 3, 2022

REPORT NO.: DSD-2022-107

SUBJECT: Winter Parking Prohibitions on Heiman Street

RECOMMENDATION:

That on-street parking be prohibited on the west (even-numbered) side of Heiman Street from a point 69 m south of Lorne Avenue to the cul-de-sac, from January 1 to March 31; and further,

That the Uniform Traffic and Parking Bylaw be amended accordingly

REPORT HIGHLIGHTS:

- The purpose of this report is to amend the Traffic and Parking Bylaw to include winter parking prohibitions on Heiman Street
- The key finding of this report is that traffic flow and property access would be improved in winter months by prohibiting seasonal on-street parking
- The financial implications are approximately \$500 to be taken from the existing sign maintenance budget
- Community engagement included a notification letter being distributed to affected residents in advance of the meeting
- This report supports the delivery of core services.

BACKGROUND:

Transportation Services received concerns from Heiman St. residents, citing difficulty accessing the street and driveways in the winter months due to the presence of cars parked on-street, and snow storage constraints.

REPORT:

Staff are recommending seasonal parking restrictions on the west (even-numbered) side of Heiman Street during the winter months. Heiman Street was narrowed to approximately 6.7 meters between Lorne Avenue and the cul-de-sac through reconstruction in 2021. This narrowing was required to improve sidewalk and boulevard conditions. Since 2021, parking has been temporarily restricted year-round on the west (even-numbered) side of Heiman

Street from a point 69 m south of Lorne Avenue to the cul-de-sac. Staff have reviewed, and recommend that the temporary year-round restriction on the west (even-numbered) side be removed and replaced with a restriction to prohibit parking from January 1st to March 31st. The reinstatement of parking from April 1st to November 30th will allow for greater flexibility for residents during months where winter snow storage does not cause concerns.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This report supports the delivery of core services.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Capital Budget – The recommendation has no impact on the Capital Budget.

Operating Budget – The recommendation has a \$500 impact on Operating Budget for sign installations. These costs will be charged to the existing Sign Maintenance budget.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

INFORM – This report has been posted to the City’s website with the agenda in advance of the council / committee meeting.

CONSULT – If applicable.

COLLABORATE – If applicable.

ENTRUST – If applicable.

PREVIOUS REPORTS/AUTHORITIES:

- *City of Kitchener Traffic and Parking By-law No. 2019-113*

APPROVED BY: Justin Readman, General Manager, Development Services Division

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A – Key Map – Heiman Street Winter Parking Prohibition Map