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# Staff Report PW2021-052

Title of Report:PW2021-052 Parking By-law Amendment 2021Department:Public WorksBranch:Transportation & Public SafetyCouncil Date:November 3, 2021

## **Recommendation:**

**Be it resolved that** Council receive Staff Report PW2021-052 for information; and **That** Council considers approval of By-law number 2021-161, being a by-law to amend the Southgate Parking By-law.

## Background:

Staff have been receiving numerous complaints and concerns with the challenges of parking that is happening with the drop off and pick up of students at the Proton Community School.

## Staff Comments:

Residents are concerned with the congested vehicles parking on both sides of Hagan Street West and difficulty maneuvering through at the times of 8am to 9am and 3pm to 4pm, and potentially if emergency vehicles were required to respond to someone living on Hagan Street West and providing response would be difficult.

Staff have had past discussions with the Bluewater and District School Board regarding parking issues, and students are released prior to buses arriving for pick ups and most of the vehicles have left the street.

Fire Chief Derek Malynyk has also observed the area during these times, with the busiest time between 8:45 and 8:55am, and recommends the school provide a crossing guard and concludes removal of parking exception timeframes on south side of Hagan Street West.

The previous Dundalk Parking By-law and current Southgate By-law has the following condition: No parking is permitted on Hagen Street except for Monday to Friday 8:00am to 9:00am and 3:00pm to 4:00pm.

Currently vehicles are parking on Hagan Street West violating some of the Parking Bylaw restrictions including:

- within 1 meter of residential driveways on both sides;
- within an intersection;
- on any street in such a manner as to obstruct traffic;
- on a boulevard

• within 9.1 metres of the corner of any street intersection except where otherwise provided in this by-law.

Young Street as well has a parking restriction with lined bicycle routes on the east & west sides as follows: No parking is permitted on each side of Young Street between Victoria Street and the most southerly limit. Parking violations are occurring on Young Street as well.

Public Works staff recommend removing the By-law clause, No parking is permitted on Hagen Street except for Monday to Friday 8:00am to 9:00am and 3:00pm to 4:00pm and are recommending that there be No Parking on either side for 100 metres West on Hagan Street West from the Young Street intersection.

By-law enforcement will have to be initiated regularly to educate and spread the messaging for the no parking restrictions in this area and after a warning period, start ticketing for infractions.

## Financial Implications:

Installation for No Parking signage is estimated at \$300.00 funded from the sign's budget.

# **Communications & Community Action Plan Impact:**

Goal 5 - Upgrading our "Hard Services"

# Action 5:

The residents and businesses of Southgate recognize our linear services - roads, bridges, water and sewer works, for example - to be a fundamental purpose of municipal government. This infrastructure needs to be serviceable and sustainable so that our businesses and communities can thrive and grow.

# **Concluding Comments:**

Staff recommends that Council receive Staff Report PW2021-052 for information, and Council considers approval of By-law number 2021-161, being a by-law to amend the Southgate Parking By-law.

Respectfully Submitted,

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