

11. CASHEL STREET - PROPOSED 30-MINUTE PARKING RESTRICTION

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of the Board to install a 30-minute parking restriction on the south side of Cashel Street, immediately west of the Clarkson Avenue intersection between Barbadoes Street and Fitzgerald Avenue (refer attached).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Currently on-street parking on the north side of Cashel Street between Barbadoes Street and Fitzgerald Avenue and a section on the south side east of Barbadoes Street is restricted to 30 minutes. There is a section measuring 98 metres, comprising of approximately 11 on-street car parking spaces, immediately west of the Clarkson Avenue intersection that is unrestricted. On-street parking between Clarkson Avenue and Fitzgerald Avenue is also unrestricted. These areas of unrestricted parking are resulting in all day commuter parking with very limited or no turnover of parking spaces.
3. Business proprietors have expressed concern over the availability of on-street parking for their customers and as such have requested that a P30 parking restriction be installed immediately west of Clarkson Avenue for a length of 98 metres. The affected businesses are Flooring Specialists, Big T Supermarket, Ski Industries, Trellis Warehouse and the Engineers Union. Although some of these businesses do have limited numbers of off-street car parking spaces, some do not and they rely heavily on the availability of kerbside parking for their business to function successfully.
4. Cashel Street is classified as a "local" road in the City Plan and is located in a commercial/retail area of the city with conflicting demands for on-street parking. The Council's Parking Strategy ranks short-term private vehicle parking as a higher priority than commuter parking in these situations.
5. All proprietors support the proposed restriction.
6. It is likely that the economic vitality of these businesses is being adversely affected by the lack of available on-street car parking on Cashel Street. The situation can be overcome through the installation of a short-term (30 minute) parking restriction covering approximately 11 spaces immediately west of Clarkson Avenue.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

Cost

7. Installation of signs and posts is within existing budgets.

Legal

8. The Land Transport Rules provide for the installation of parking restrictions.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board agree that the parking of vehicles is limited to a maximum of 30 minutes on the south side of Cashel Street from a point 11.5 metres west of the Clarkson Avenue intersection and extending 98 metres in a westerly direction.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.