

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

SUBJECT: PARKING CONCERNS ON CURLE AVENUE, KALYK AVENUE AND **NITHSDALE STREET**

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. THAT Council endorse that the parking regulations be enforced as signed, and that the signage infill be removed.
- 2. THAT Council send a copy of this report to Ms. Heather Cook, Mr. Steve Skrivanos and Mr. Frank Chies for information.

REPORT

The Traffic Safety Committee, at its meeting held on 2022 March 23, received and adopted the <u>attached</u> report seeking Council approval to clarify parking regulation at Curle Avenue, Kalyk Avenue and Nithsdale Street.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor D. Johnston Chair

Councillor J. Wang Vice Chair

Chief Administrative Officer Copied to:

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2022 March 14



FROM:

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

GENERAL MANAGER ENGINEERING

FILE: 38000-20

DATE:

Ref: Traffic Safety

SUBJECT: PARKING CONCERNS ON CURLE AVENUE, KALYK AVENUE AND

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PURPOSE: To clarify parking regulation in the study area.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT the Committee recommend that Council endorse that the parking regulations be enforced as signed, and that the signage infill be removed.

2. THAT the Committee recommend that Council send a copy of this report to Ms. Heather Cook, Mr. Steve Skrivanos and Mr. Frank Chies for information.

REPORT

INTRODUCTION

On 2022 January 26, the Traffic Safety Committee heard from Ms. Heather Cook and Mr. Frank Chies regarding the Resident Parking Only signage and the 2021 community engagement that occurred on Kalyk Avenue, Curle Avenue and Nithsdale Street. In particular, Ms. Cook expressed concern about the application and enforcement of the parking regulation to corner houses, and Mr. Chies expressed concern about the regulation infill. The Traffic Safety Committee requested that staff investigate and provide a report back to the Committee for information. This report provides background on the parking regulation in the area, the 2021 engagement, and the results of the engagement.

POLICY SECTION

Traffic Safety initiatives are aligned with the City of Burnaby's Corporate Strategic Plan by supporting the following goals and sub-goals of the Plan.

Goal

Transportation safety –
Make City streets, pathways, trails and sidewalks safer

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BACKGROUND

The Burnaby General Hospital – Residential Parking Only (RPO) zones were updated in the year 2000 to include Kalyk Avenue, Curle Avenue, and Nithsdale Street. This was done in response to a petition presented to the Traffic and Safety Department in January 2000 with 92 supporting signatures. The zone has been in place since.



Figure 1: Resident Parking Only Study Area

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PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND AREA STUDY

To assess the current residential parking conditions and needs, the City sent out a survey on 2021 September 29 to the area shown in Figure 1 to provide background on the zone, and to gain information directly from the community on what type of regulation would reflect their current needs. The options included in the survey were as follows:

- Option 1: Maintain the existing "Parking for Residents of <Block Number> <Street Name> Only" signage system, which allows only residents with an address on the indicated streets to park there.
 - Result: 79% support
- Option 2: Modify the existing signage system such that all residents of Nithsdale Street, Kalyk Avenue and Curle Avenue can park anywhere on the streets in the neighbourhood.
 - o Result: 17% support
- Option 3: Remove the "Parking for Residents" restriction and add time restriction, indicating "2 hr Parking, Except Residents." This would restrict non-residents to 2 hour parking anytime, and would allow residents with an address on the indicated streets to park there without the 2 hour time restriction.
 - Result: 2% support
- Option 4: Remove the "Parking for Residents" restriction and enforce parking in accordance to the existing Street and Traffic Bylaw. Anyone would be able to park on the street for up to 3 hours between 8 AM and 6 PM. Residents would be able to park without the 3 hour restriction.
 - Result: 2% support

The City found the survey to provide conclusive support for existing Resident Parking Only signage. Hence, the City would maintain the existing Resident Parking Only signage, and the enforcement of the signage would as indicated in the City Street and Traffic Bylaw, Section 13, "Parking and Stopping Vehicles". Parking at corner houses would be allowed as per the Resident Parking Only signage, which corresponds to the street names of address of the houses.

In addition to the survey, the City also reviewed a small, unregulated, mid-block area on Nithsdale Street. This area is not included in the original Burnaby General Hospital RPO zones. For consistency with the Resident Parking Only signage on Kalyk Avenue and Curle Avenue, the City included the installation of the Resident Parking Only signage for Nithsdale Street as a result of the 2021 engagement survey.

Following the installation of the Resident Parking Only signage on Nithsdale Street, the City received feedback from residents of the Nithsdale Street mid-block area.

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Residents indicated they would prefer the existing conditions be maintained and that the new Resident Parking Only signage be removed with the understanding that enforcing parking bylaws at this particular location could be challenging.

CONCLUSIONS

The City completed an engagement survey to assess the residential parking conditions and needs on Kalyk Avenue, Curle Avenue and Nithsdale Street near Burnaby General Hospital. The engagement results indicate a strong support from the residents to maintain the existing Resident Parking Only signage. Hence, the City would maintain the existing Resident Parking Only signage, and the enforcement of the signage would as indicated in the City Street and Traffic Bylaw, Section 13, "Parking and Stopping Vehicles". The City introduced new signage to a small section of Nithsdale Street for consistency with the Resident Parking Only signage. As the intent of the engagement survey result indicate a majority support for the existing condition, these new signs will be removed by the end of April 2022.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff have completed a review of the parking regulations along Kalyk Avenue, Curle Avenue and Nithsdale Street. It is recommended that Council endorse that the parking regulations be enforced as signed, and that the signage infill be removed. It is also recommended a copy of this report be sent to Ms. Heather Cook, Mr. Steve Skrivanos and Mr. Frank Chies for information.

For:

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