

Meeting 2007 June 18

COUNCIL REPORT

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

SUBJECT: ILLEGAL PARKING AT 3964 KITCHENER STREET

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. Roy Hunter, 3995 Kitchener Street, 1. Burnaby, BC, V5C 3L9.

REPORT

The Traffic Safety Committee, at its meeting held on 2007 June 12, received and adopted the attached report reviewing parking issues brought forward by Mr. Roy Hunter.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor N. Volkow Chair

Councillor S. Dhaliwal Vice Chair

Councillor G. Evans Member

Copied to: City Manager

Director Engineering





TO:

CHAIR AND MEMBERS

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

DATE:

2007 May 28

FROM:

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ENGINEERING,

TRAFFIC AND ENGINEERING SYSTEMS

SUBJECT:

ILLEGAL PARKING AT 3964 KITCHENER STREET

PURPOSE:

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owner.

RECOMMENDATION:

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REPORT

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Mr. Roy Hunter appeared as a delegation at the last meeting of the Traffic Safety Committee regarding vehicles stopping in front of his residence and blocking his driveway. His concern is a long standing one and staff has had discussions with him over the years.

2.0 BACKGROUND

As shown on the attached Plan Mr. Hunter resides on the corner of Kitchener and Douglas. His house is located in a 50ft wide residential zone adjacent Douglas Road. West of this residential zone, which is effectively one lot deep the zoning is industrial. As a consequence all his "neighbours" are older, smaller lot, industrial uses many of which do not have sufficient parking on-site to meet their need. Further, on street parking is limited by the frequent driveways.

An earlier more problematic neighbour was a bottle depot, located almost directly across from Mr. Hunter, which generated considerable traffic. In response to vehicles parking in front of his property and in particular blocking his driveway we implemented a "No Stopping Anytime" Zone. While this provides some "protection" it is not universally obeyed.

To: Traffic Safety Committee

From: Assistant Director Engineering, Traffic and

Engineering Systems

Re: Illegal Parking at 3964 Kitchener Street

3.0 REVIEW

Bylaw enforcement staff has always responded to Mr. Hunters complaints but when they arrive the offending vehicles are invariably gone. On a recent "Blitz" officers visited Kitchener Street some 90 times but only found 3 occasions for enforcement.

4.0 DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

Given the land use context Mr. Hunter's parking problem appears in large measure intractable. One possible solution may be the placement of plastic "safe hit" stanchions flanking his driveway as shown on the attached diagram. Similar posts have been used on Lougheed Hwy in front of the Madison to prevent illegal stopping in the bike lane. The effective placement of the posts may be problematic given the constraints on manoeuvring relative to Mr. Hunter's driveway and the adjacent lane. We will meet with Mr. Hunter on site to determine the feasibility and desirability of this proposal.

Peeter Liivamagi, P.Eng.

Assistant Director Engineering, Traffic and Engineering Systems

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