





TO: GENERAL COMMITTEE


SUBJECT: PARKING INVESTIGATION ON LAMPMAN LANE AND BRONTE CRESCENT

WARD: WARD 5

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RECOMMENDED MOTION

1. That Traffic By-law 80-138 Schedule "B" "No Parking in Specified Places Where Signs on Display at Stated Times" be amended:

By deleting the following:

<u>"Lampman Lane</u>	South side from Browning Trail to the easterly intersection of Bronte Crescent	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday September to June."
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And adding the following:

<u>"Lampman Lane</u>	South side from Browning Trail to a point 200 metres east thereof	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday September to June."
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PURPOSE & BACKGROUND

2. Staff received direction through the Office of the Mayor and the Ward 5 Councillor to investigate the current parking congestion on Lampman Lane and Bronte Crescent due to the construction of Lampman Lane Park.
3. Lampman Lane Park is under construction to provide a "makeover" to the current park that was constructed in the 1980's. Some of the features that will be included in the update are a splash pad, tennis courts, soccer fields, and play areas.
4. Lampman Lane is a two (2) lane local roadway with a daily traffic volume of 2,500 vehicles per day, with sidewalks on both sides and a pavement width of 9.0 metres. Please refer to Appendix "A".
5. Bronte Crescent is a two (2) lane local roadway with a daily volume of approximately 750 vehicles per day, with a sidewalk on the west side and a pavement width of 8.5 metres.

6. Parking is currently prohibited on the south side of Lampman Lane between Browning Trail and the eastern intersection of Bronte Crescent, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday, September to June. There is no stopping anytime on the north side of Lampman Lane between Browning Trail and the eastern intersection of Bronte Crescent.
7. Overnight on-street parking is prohibited from December 1st to March 31st, between 12:01 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. for the purpose of snow clearing.

ANALYSIS

8. The purpose of this report is to address the displacement of the parking from the park during drop off/pick up times at Andrew Hunter School with the construction at Lampman Lane Park. The parking lot off Lampman Lane Park was used by parents prior to construction during drop off/pick up times, and staff of Andrew Hunter Public School would also use the park parking lot for overflow parking.
9. Andrew Hunter Public School is a walking school which means there are no school buses that transport students to the school. This means there are a large number of parents that transport their children to school. Historically parents would use the parking lot of Lampman Lane Park to load/unload, but due to the construction parents park on-street parking on both Lampman Lane and Bronte Crescent. The construction on Lampman Lane Park has used the existing parking lot as a staging area.
10. A Parking Questionnaire was prepared and mailed to property owners on Lampman Lane and surrounding roadways. Results of the Questionnaire are as follows:

PROHIBITED PARKING SURVEY	RESPONSES RECEIVED	PERCENTAGE OF RESPONSES
Option A – Leave current parking regulations in place on Lampman Lane/Bronte Crescent.	9	65%
Option B – Reduce the current No Parking restrictions on the south side (Park side) of Lampman Lane in front of Lampman Lane Park to the east intersection of Bronte Crescent. This will permit vehicles to park in front of Lampman Lane Park and reduce congestion in front of Andrew Hunter Elementary School and neighbouring streets.	3	21%
Option C - Implement No Parking Anytime on Bronte Crescent from Lampman Lane to a point 30 metres north thereof.	2	14%

11. The residents on Lampman Lane are in favour of leaving the current parking regulations in place on Lampman Lane and noted that Lampman Lane is a busy roadway and permitting parking on the roadway would cause operational and safety concerns.
12. Some residents on Bronte Crescent are in favour of reducing the no parking zone on the south side of Lampman Lane to provide additional on-street parking to accommodate overflow of the parking lot when re-opened.

13. Staff reviewed the current No Parking 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday, September to June on the south side of Lampman Lane and recommend the reduction of the current no parking limits to permit additional on-street parking for parents.
14. Residents did raise a concern regarding the loss of total parking stalls in Lampman Lane Park once the construction is completed. Staff spoke with the Project Manager of Lampman Lane Park and were informed that there are 103 parking stalls existing (between the school parking lot and Lampman Lane Park) and 103 parking stalls to be re-installed once the construction is complete. A concept of Lampman Lane Park can be found in Appendix "B".
15. Staff will be installing No Parking Anytime on both sides of the west leg of Bronte Crescent from Lampman Lane to a point 30 metres north as per the general provisions within Traffic By-law 80-138. The signs ensure sight lines are clear for vehicles entering the intersection and improve the operation and safety of the intersection in close proximity to the school.
16. No parking near the intersection of Bronte Crescent and Lampman Lane will ensure that vehicles do not park near the crosswalk on the west leg of Lampman Lane.
17. That a 30 metre corner restriction be implemented on both sides of the west leg of Bronte Crescent north of Lampman Lane.
18. Staff recommend that Traffic By-law 80-138 Schedule "B" "No Parking in Specified Places Where Signs on Display at Stated Times" be amended:

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19. Staff will continue to monitor parking on Lampman Lane and Bronte Crescent once Lampman Lane Park is opened to ensure that the Lampman Lane Park parking lot is utilized and on-street parking congestion has been resolved.
20. Barrie Police Service, Barrie Fire and Emergency Service and Municipal Law Enforcement do not oppose the recommended motion.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

21. There are no environmental matters related to the recommendation.

ALTERNATIVES

22. The following alternative is available for consideration by General Committee:

Alternative #1

General Committee could decide to maintain the current parking regulations on Lampman Lane.

This alternative is not recommended as the proposed reduction allows for additional on-street parking for parents to safety/unloads their children adjacent to the sidewalk. The recommendation also permits on-street parking adjacent to Lampman Lane Park for patrons.

FINANCIAL

23. The cost associated with installing the no parking signs on Bronte Crescent would be approximately \$300 which can be accommodated within the 2014 Operating Budget.

LINKAGE TO COUNCIL STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

24. The recommendations included in this Staff Report are not specifically related to the goals identified in the 2010-2014 City Council Strategic Plan.

