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NO STOPPING ANYTIME ZONE
LLOYDTOWN-AURORA ROAD
TOWNSHIP OF KING

The Transportation and Works Committee recommends the adoption of the recommendations contained in the following report, May 28, 2008, from the Commissioner of Transportation Services:

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. A “No Stopping Anytime” zone be established on the north side of Lloydtown-Aurora Road (Y.R. 16), from the west limit of the 7th Concession to the east limit of Edward Pottage Crescent, in the Township of King.
2. The Regional Solicitor prepare the necessary by-law.
3. The Regional Clerk forward this report to the Clerk of the Township of King and to the Chief of York Regional Police, for enforcement as their resources permit.

2. PURPOSE

This report is for the implementation of a “No Stopping Anytime” zone, of approximately 700 metres in length, on the north side of Lloydtown-Aurora Road west of the 7th Concession. This no stopping zone will prohibit vehicles from stopping on the travelled portion and shoulder of Lloydtown-Aurora Road and assist by-law staff of the Township of King in enforcement of this no stopping by-law.

3. BACKGROUND

Vehicles stopping on the travelled portion of roadways in close proximity of intersections create safety concerns for pass-by traffic, patrons of commercial establishments, and residents of the area. Stopped and parked vehicles can create visibility restrictions for motorists exiting from access points and intersections. These vehicles cause conflicts with drivers travelling on these roads and result in traffic safety concerns. In addition to these safety concerns, noise pollution is created by the unnecessary idling of vehicles parked while the occupant is away from the vehicle. Also, during winter months, parked vehicles create problems for snow removal. When vehicles are parked on the shoulder, snow cannot be properly cleared from roadways.

A resident of Lloydtown-Aurora Road contacted the Region with a concern regarding the recurring parking of vehicles on the north side of the road in the vicinity of their residence. There are several residential driveways on the north side of Lloydtown-Aurora Road that are blocked by parked vehicles. These parked vehicles also restrict visibility for motorists exiting these driveways.

“No Stopping Anytime” zones are often implemented on Regional roads in areas where parking of vehicles occurs on a regular and continuing basis. To address the traffic safety concerns in these areas, “No Stopping Anytime” zones are implemented to prohibit this practice and to improve overall safety in the area.

4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS

Lloydtown-Aurora Road, in the Township of King, (*see Attachment 1*) is a rural two-lane roadway that provides an east-west connecting road between Highway 400 and Highway 27. The alignment of Lloydtown-Aurora Road includes a horizontal curve west of the 7th Concession. The community of Pottageville is situated in the vicinity of the intersection of Lloydtown-Aurora Road and the 7th Concession. This intersection is a cross intersection with stop signs for northbound and southbound traffic. Lloydtown-Aurora Road is under the jurisdiction of the Region and the 7th Concession is under the jurisdiction of the Township of King.

A combined gas station and convenience store is situated on the south side of Lloydtown-Aurora Road approximately 150 metres west of the 7th Concession. There are residential properties and driveways on the north side of Lloydtown-Aurora Road. Vehicles are often parked on the north shoulder of Lloydtown-Aurora Road while their occupants frequent the gas station and convenience store. These parked vehicles impede other drivers travelling east and west on Lloydtown-Aurora Road and often restrict visibility for resident to exit their driveways. Drivers travelling north and south through the stop controlled intersection of Lloydtown-Aurora Road and the 7th Concession often have their visibility restricted by these vehicles that are stopped west of the intersection and in the vicinity of the horizontal curve in the roadway. Prohibiting stopping in this area will improve overall safety in the area and at the intersection.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The cost associated with manufacturing and installing the “No Stopping Anytime” signs is included within the 2008 Roads Budget. In accordance with the Regional and Provincial Offences Agreements, the Township of King will retain any revenue that is generated by enforcing this prohibition.

6. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

An area resident has requested the implementation of this “No Stopping Anytime” prohibition. The enforcement of this by-law will be carried out by the by-law enforcement staff of the Township of King. This prohibition will improve safety on Lloydtown-Aurora Road, and within the intersection of Lloydtown-Aurora Road and the 7th Concession, for commuters and residents of the area. Township of King staff are in support of the implementation of this prohibition. In accordance with the *Provincial Offences Act* for enforcement of Regional by-laws, the revenue will be retained by the local municipality.

This “No Stopping Anytime” zone will be signed and monitored by the Region with enforcement carried out by the Township of King’s by-law enforcement staff. The Regional Clerk should, therefore, forward this report and the resulting “No Stopping Anytime” by-law to the Clerk of the Township of King and to the Chief of York Regional Police, with a request to carry out enforcement of the “No Stopping Anytime” zone.

7. CONCLUSION

To address traffic safety concerns with respect to vehicles stopping on Lloydtown-Aurora Road west of the 7th Concession, the implementation of a “No Stopping Anytime” regulation is proposed. The local municipality’s by-law enforcement officers, in accordance with the Regional and Provincial Offences Agreements, will carry out enforcement of this Regional by-law.

The Regional Clerk should, therefore, forward this report and the by-law to the Clerk of the Township of King and to York Regional Police.

For more information on this report, contact Paul Jankowski, General Manager, Roads, at extension 5901 in the Transportation Services Department.

The Senior Management Group has reviewed this report.

(The attachment referred to in this clause was included in the agenda for the June 11, 2008 Committee meeting.)