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Report - Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works - April 10, 2007

Item No. 4 Winnipeg Parking Authority - Installation of Parking Control Equipment on Selkirk Avenue
File ST-8.1

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On April 18, 2007, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works and submits the following to Council:

1. That pay parking control equipment (i.e. meters) be installed on Selkirk Avenue between McGregor Street and Salter Street.

2. That the Parking Meter By-law No. 6547/95 be amended as set out in Appendix "B" contained in the report from the Chief Information Officer dated March 21, 2007.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

Report - Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works - April 10, 2007

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On April 18, 2007, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works and submitted the matter to Council.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On April 10, 2007, the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works concurred in the administrative recommendation (contained in the report from the Chief Information Officer dated March 21, 2007) and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE DECISION:

On December 12, 2006, the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee concurred in the administrative recommendation, namely:

1. That a two-hour parking restriction be implemented on the south side of Selkirk Avenue between Salter and Powers Streets.

2. That an additional loading zone be implemented along the south side of Selkirk Avenue in the immediate vicinity of 500 Selkirk Avenue. (The Donut House)

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On December 12, 2006, the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee concurred in the administrative recommendation, namely:

1. That enforcement of parking restrictions along Selkirk Avenue and the alleyways that parallel it be increased.

2. That parking meters be installed along Selkirk Avenue between Salter and McGregor Streets.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY: (Continued)

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On April 11, 2006, the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works concurred in the recommendation of the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee and referred the matter to the administration for review and report back.

On March 28, 2006, the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee recommended to the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works as follows:

1. That the administrative recommendation be concurred in, namely, that the Administration work with business owners, institutions and residents in the William Whyte and Dufferin Neighbourhood to clarify parking needs and issues and develop strategies that will satisfy both the Business Community and Residential Neighbourhoods. A collaborative planning approach would facilitate short term, medium and long term parking solutions for the area.

2. That parking meters be reinstated on Selkirk Avenue between McGregor and Salter Streets with a two (2) hour parking limitation to address the parking issues within the community.

On February 21, 2006, the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee laid over consideration of the matter to its meeting scheduled for March 28, 2006.

On December 6, 2005, the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee referred the concerns raised by Sylvia Todaschuk and Paul Wereschuk, on behalf of the Selkirk Avenue Business Improvement Zone ("BIZ"), with respect to the lack of parking in the Selkirk Avenue BIZ to the Public Works Department for action, including the possibility of utilizing the City owned lots identified by the BIZ for parking lots.

Further, the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee requested the Administration to report back to Committee, for its meeting scheduled for February 21, 2006, on the action taken to address the concerns of the Selkirk Avenue BIZ.

RE: Winnipeg Parking Authority Installation of Parking Control Equipment on Selkirk Avenue

FOR SUBMISSION TO: Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works

ORIGINAL REPORT SIGNED BY: Cliff Jeffers, Chief Information Officer

REPORT DATE: March 21, 2007

RECOMMENDATION(s):

1. That the Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works Committee recommend the following to Council:

    a) That pay parking control equipment (i.e. meters) be installed on Selkirk Avenue between McGregor Street and Salter Street.

    b) That the Parking Meter By-Law No. 6547/95 be amended to include this addition (see Appendix B).

2. That the proper officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

REPORT SUMMARY

KEY ISSUES:

- There has been a significant increase in vehicles parked along Selkirk Avenue between Salter and McGregor Streets. The increased activity reflects an increase in demand for parking stalls in the area, and a preference for parking along Selkirk Avenue in preference to side streets in the area.

- The lack of available parking space has become a community issue in this area. A consultant was engaged to measure and review parking supply, demand, and utilization, and to work with community groups to clarify parking needs and propose effective solutions.

- The final report supports the installation of pay parking control devices between Salter and McGregor Streets. The report was accepted by Selkirk Avenue stakeholders and Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee.

IMPLICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATION(S)

General Implications:

X	None
	For the organization overall and/or for other departments
	For the community and/or organizations external to the City of Winnipeg
	Involves a multi-year contract

Policy Implications:

X	No
	Yes

Regulatory Implications:

	None
	Eliminates or reduces regulatory impact
X	Proposes regulatory impact

Comment(s): Parking meter fees and fines will be applied to Selkirk Avenue between McGregor Street and Salter Street.

Environmental Implications:

X	No
	Yes

Human Resource Implications:

X	No
	Yes

Financial Implications:

X	Within approved current and/or capital budget
	Current and/or capital budget adjustment required

Comment: There is no financial impact associated with these recommendations

REASON FOR THE REPORT:

Any placement of pay parking control devices in new areas of the City requires amendments to by-laws and Council approval.

HISTORY:

The Winnipeg Parking Authority (WPA) was designated as a special operating agency effective January 1, 2005. The Agency was created to manage City-owned on- and off-street parking resources and parking enforcement.

On May 20/05 the Planning Property and Development Department requested WPA attend stakeholder meetings in the Selkirk community to identify potential solutions to parking shortages in the area. WPA suggested that a parking strategy should be developed for community, and that a reinstatement of parking metering technology may be necessary.

A working stakeholders committee incorporating representatives of the Urban Circle, William Whyte Residents Association, Selkirk Avenue BIZ, as well as the Planning Division of the Planning Property and Development Department, the Transportation Division of the Public Works Department, and the Winnipeg Parking Authority was struck.

On March 29/06 the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee passed the following motion recommending:

"*That the City of Winnipeg Administration work with business owners, institutions and residents in the William Whyte and Dufferin Neighbourhood to clarify parking needs and issues and develop strategies that will satisfy both the Business Community and Residential Neighbourhoods. A collaborative planning approach would facilitate short term, medium and long term parking solutions for the area."*

"*That parking meters be reinstated on Selkirk Avenue between McGregor and Salter Streets with a two (2) hour parking limitation to address the parking issues within the community*

On April 11, 2006, the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works concurred with this recommendation, referring the matter to administration. The Lord Selkirk/William Whyte stakeholders committee was assembled to represent interests in the area.

On July 5, 2006, a consultant was contracted to produce a parking study and solution strategy for Selkirk Avenue. On December 6, 2006, the consultant delivered his final report (attached as Appendix A). This was referred to the Selkirk Avenue BIZ and the community stakeholders group.

On December 12/06, the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee approved the consultants report and supported reinstatement of pay parking control devices on this street.

DISCUSSION

Synopsis of Report

The purpose of the study was to examine parking needs along Selkirk Avenue to ensure that a reasonable balance of available public parking is maintained for commercial and residential interests, now and in the near future.

The study measured supply, demand and utilization of parking stalls on Selkirk Avenue, objectively assessed the cause and effect, scope and extent of the identified parking shortage. It determined that there was insufficient available space along Selkirk Avenue at peak periods during the daytime parking period, that use of this space reached 100%, and that measures should be enacted to encourage turnover of existing space, and a long term increase in parking space. The report proposed solutions as follows:

Initial Improvements

1. Uniform parking restrictions should be established along Selkirk Avenue within the study area.
2. Enforcement of parking restrictions along Selkirk Avenue and the alleyways that parallel it should be increased to hourly foot patrols.
3. Pay Parking control devices (meters), should be located along Selkirk Avenue between Salter Street and McGregor Avenue.

Future Improvements

4. Sidewalk extensions could be removed and replaced with metered on-street parking, creating 15 additional parking spaces.
5. Off Street parking facilities should be considered for the area.

Conclusion

That the implementation of pay parking via modern parking control devices will create sufficient turnover of existing parking stalls on Selkirk Avenue to satisfy the current demand, and that parking devices should be installed as soon as practicable. An amendment to The Parking Meter By-law which will authorize this installation is attached as Appendix B.

IN PREPARING THIS REPORT, THERE WAS:

Internal Consultation With and Concurrence By:

Planning, Property and Development Department
Public Works Department
Legal Services Branch, Corporate Services Department

External Consultation With:

The Selkirk Avenue Parking Stakeholder Committee
The Agency's Advisory Board

THIS REPORT SUBMITTED BY:

Department: Corporate Information Technology
Division: Winnipeg Parking Authority
Prepared by: David Hill, Chief Operating Officer

Financial Impact Statement

Date: March 20, 2007

Project Name:

Winnipeg Parking Authority Special Operating Agency

First Year of Program 2007

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Capital					
Capital Expenditures Required	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Less: Existing Budgeted Costs	-	-	-	-	-
Additional Capital Budget Required	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Funding Sources:					
Debt - Internal	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
External	-	-	-	-	-
Grants (Identify)	-	-	-	-	-
Reserves, Equity, Surplus, Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total Funding	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Total Additional Capital Budget Required	$ -				
Total Additional Debt Required	$ -				
Current Expenditures/Revenues					
Direct Costs	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Less: Incremental Revenue/Recovery	-	-	-	-	-
Net Cost/(Benefit)	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Less: Existing Budget Amounts	-	-	-	-	-
Net Budget Adjustment Required	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -

Additional Comments:

"Original signed by"
Paul Rogan CGA
Financial Analyst

APPENDIX A

SELKIRK AVENUE PARKING STUDY

APPENDIX B

AMENDMENT TO THE PARKING METER BY-LAW

THE CITY OF WINNIPEG

BY-LAW NO. .

A By-law of THE CITY OF WINNIPEG to amend the Parking Meter By-law No. 6547/95 to permit parking meters on Selkirk Avenue between McGregor Street and Salter Street.

THE CITY OF WINNIPEG, in Council assembled, enacts as follows:

1. Schedule "B" of the Parking Meter By-law No. 6547/95 is amended by adding the following in alphabetical order:

*North side of **Selkirk Avenue** between McGregor Street and Salter Street.*

*South side of **Selkirk Avenue** between McGregor Street and Salter Street.*

DONE AND PASSED, in Council assembled, this day of , 2007.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

Approved as to content:

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for Chief Administrative Officer

Certified as to form:

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for City Solicitor/Manager of
Legal Services

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