



Agenda Item No. 12d.

Staff Report

Date: June 14, 2018
To: Mayor Robbins and Council Members
From: Erik Masterson, Police Chief
Subject: Parking Restrictions on Prospect Avenue

Recommendation

Town Council action to restrict parking on Prospect Avenue.

Background and discussion

The Police Department has received complaints about parking on Prospect Avenue at Wellington Avenue. There are only a few parcels on Prospect Avenue within the Town of Ross. The street does not have any parking restrictions and residents complain that negotiating through parked cars is difficult at times due to the narrow roadway.

The residents have spoken to one another and then approached staff to request a red zone in the area to alleviate the narrow passageway when vehicles are parked in that area. Some residents state on-street parking in that area is not necessary.

Many of the streets in that area have restricted parking (red zones) due to narrow roadways, and parking, causes difficult passage. The restricted roadway caused by parked vehicles also makes passage of emergency vehicle problematic. One side of the street could be restricted from parking by establishing a red zone.

Staff sent notices to the property owners of this area and there was some resistance to eliminating parking. A compromise plan to establish red zones across from the driveways was favored. This allows for sufficient restricted parking so residents can enter and exit their driveways, while also providing sufficient clear roadway for vehicle passage.

Staff recommends the Council direct the Chief of Police to establish red zones on Prospect Avenue opposite existing driveways to allow for safe vehicle passage.

Fiscal, resource and timeline impacts

There would be a minimal cost for establishing a red zone.

Alternative actions

Council could choose not to approve the restricted parking on Prospect Avenue.

Environmental review (if applicable)

N/A

Attachments

- None