

The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes

Council Report

Report Number MLE2017-007

Date: August 22, 2017
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Place: Council Chambers

Ward Community Identifier: 5

Subject: Long Beach Road Prohibited Parking areas

Author/Title: Aaron Sloan – Manager Municipal Law Enforcement

Recommendation(s):

RESOLVED THAT Report MLE2017-007, Amendments to the Parking by-law 2012-173, be received;

THAT parking is prohibited on both sides of **Long Beach Road** from the center/crown at the corner to a point 50 metres west ending in front of # 429;

THAT parking is prohibited on both sides of **Long Beach Road** from the center/crown at the corner (area in front of 431) along the lake front north 784 m to end at the intersection of Rodman Dr. and Long Beach Road; and

THAT the necessary By-Law, with amendments, be forwarded to Council for adoption.

Department Head: _____

Corporate Services Director / Other: _____

Chief Administrative Officer: _____

Background:

Long Beach Road is approximately 8 kms in length and located in Ward 5 in the City of Kawartha Lakes. Long Beach Road originates in the Hamlet of Cameron and runs east from Hwy 35 N. before turning north and connecting with City Road 121. The first four kilometres of Long Beach Road east of Cameron is CKL Road 34 which is built with standard lane widths and wide shoulders. The next four kilometres is no longer an arterial road. It has narrow lane widths and no shoulders. The subject area is a mix of standard lanes, wide boulevards, and narrow lanes, no shoulder, bisected by a sharp curve in a 40 km/h speed zone.

On November 22, 2016, Councillor Stephen Strangway brought to Council a memorandum attached as Appendix "A".

RESOLVED THAT the Memorandum from Councillor Strangway regarding Long Beach Road Parking, be received; and

THAT staff be requested to research the parking issue on Long Beach Road from Manor Road past the curve along the lake front for 50m including consultation with the citizens and business that own cottages and reside within 150 meters of this area and report any recommendations.

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This report addresses that direction.

Rationale:

The purpose of the Parking By-law 2012-173 is to assist in the safe movement of traffic, ensure the safety of the public and to allow for the safe and efficient passage of emergency vehicles using our roadways.

Long Beach Road:

Staff visited the Long Beach Road area (map attached as Appendix "B") in the fall of 2016 and again in April 2017. The roadway entering the Long Beach Community is a paved two lane highway type roadway with a mix of gravel and paved shoulders closer to the lake. The roadway measures approximately 8 m wide and it narrows to 5.5 m as it turns north, continuing along the lake front area. The roadway along the lake front is 5.5m wide, and it is very narrow limiting vehicle movement in both directions. The roadway primarily serves as access to the subdivision (community of Long Beach) residents, cottages along the lake front, a restaurant, and a marina before continuing and connecting to City Road 121.

The Parking By-Law 2012-173 establishes a general parking time limit on all roadways without parking meters to be 12 hours maximum. Parking in this area is currently permitted on both sides of this roadway.

Offences that violate the Parking by-law that do not require an amendment or signs are as follows:

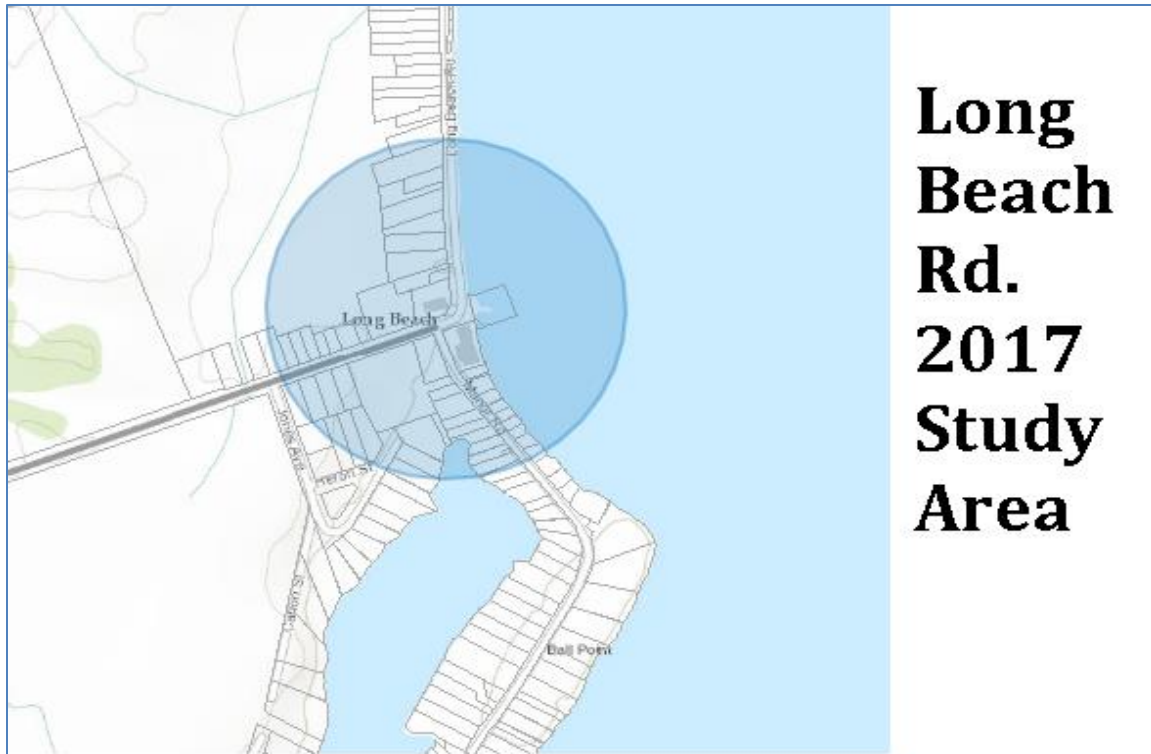
- parking within 2 meters of a driveway,
- park wrong side of highway,
- park within 9 metres of an intersection,
- park obstruct or interfere or prevent the movement of vehicular traffic; and
- park to interfere with snow removal (seasonal);
- or in a way that interferes with maintenance or repair of highway and utilities.

Since 2004 Municipal Law Enforcement has received 7 parking occurrence complaints/concerns for this area. The occurrences include concerns that driveways were being blocked; vehicles were parked facing the wrong direction and obstruction of the roadway. Staff issued warnings and did not issue parking tickets for violations found.

In March 2017 staff sent out a consultation package with letter dated March 24, 2017, attached as Appendix "C", to thirty one (31) of the area businesses and residents that fall with 150 meters of the corner. Staff advised that comments are to be returned by April 28, 2017. The mailing address list and area map has been included as follows:

Mailing address list:

7 Heron St.	9 Heron St.
8 Manor Rd.	9 Manor Rd.
11 Manor Rd.	12 Manor Rd.
14 Manor Rd.	15 Manor Rd.
413 Long Beach Rd.	414 Long Beach Rd.
415 Long Beach Rd.	417 Long Beach Rd.
418 Long Beach Rd.	419 Long Beach Rd.
420 Long Beach Rd.	422 Long Beach Rd.
423 Long Beach Rd.	425 Long Beach Rd.
429 Long Beach Rd.	430 Long Beach Rd.
431 Long Beach Rd.	432 Long Beach Rd.
439 Long Beach Rd.	441 Long Beach Rd.
443 Long Beach Rd.	449 Long Beach Rd.
453 Long Beach Rd.	457 Long Beach Rd.
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Nine (9) responses were received from the residents and businesses and are attached as Appendix "D". One (1) of the packages was returned unclaimed to the staff sender.

Summary of responses:

- Resident is concerned that regulating parking along Long Beach Road will force parking issues such as safety and congestion onto Manor Rd.
- Consider type of regulation such as "No Stopping" and "No Standing"
- Supports change, but due to narrow roadway, wishes to expand the suggested 50 m regulated areas further along the lake frontage of Long Beach Rd.
- All suggested distance increased (50 M+)
- Addition of speed bumps
- Removal of roadside rocks
- Do not regulate the area.

Definitions from By-law 2012-173:

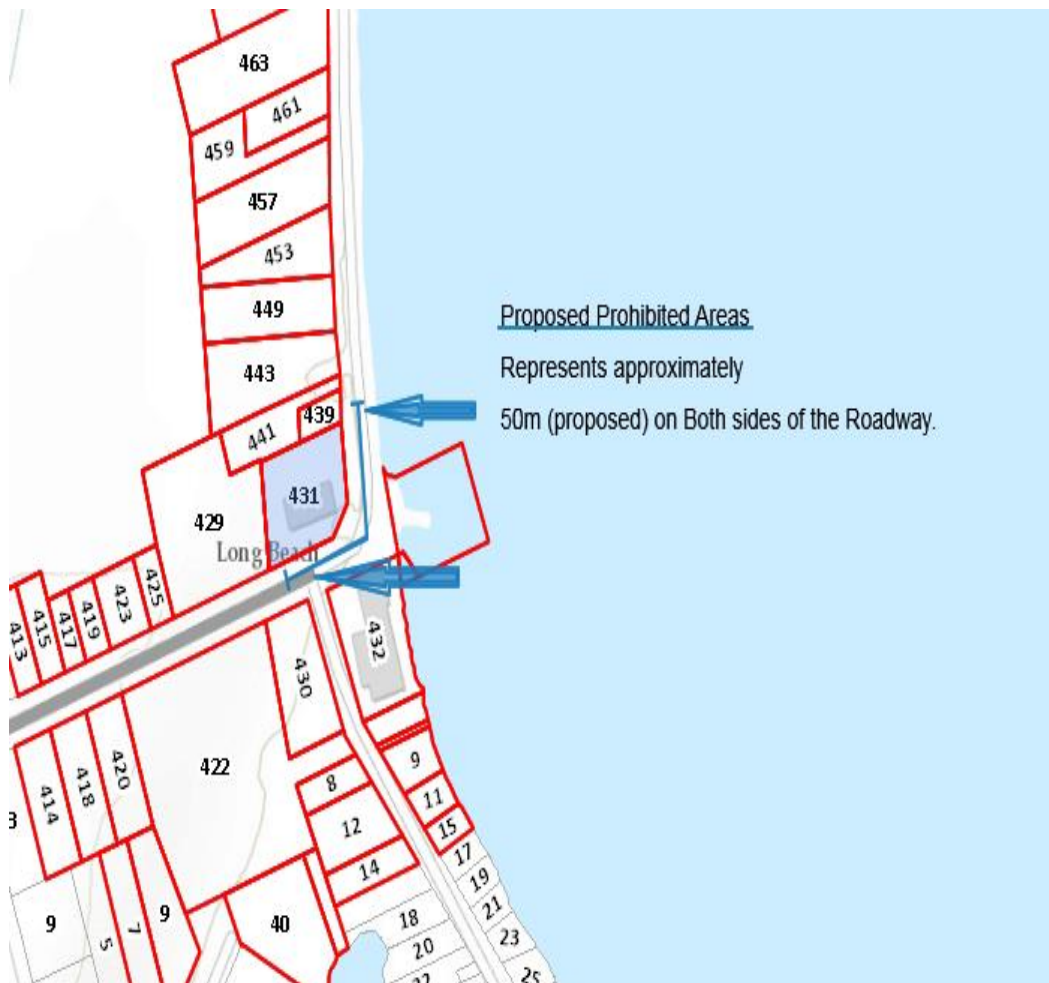
"loading" means the physical activity of moving merchandise from or to a property or another vehicle and the physical activity of passengers entering or departing a vehicle;

"park" or **"parking"** means the standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except when standing temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers or goods;

"stop" or **"stopping"** means the halting of a vehicle, even momentarily, whether occupied or not, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or of traffic control sign or signal;

Options:

1. That the parking by-law be amended to create prohibited parking areas as per the map below. Prohibited areas would be established on both sides of Long Beach Road approximately 50 m (between 431 and 429, on the north side and 422 and 430 on the south side, and 431 and 439 on the west side) in either direction of the corner. This option provides increased sight lines from both directions for vehicles entering into the corner and for vehicles exiting the parking lots of the area businesses. The prohibited area would only be located in front of public areas, and the local businesses, which have on site parking.

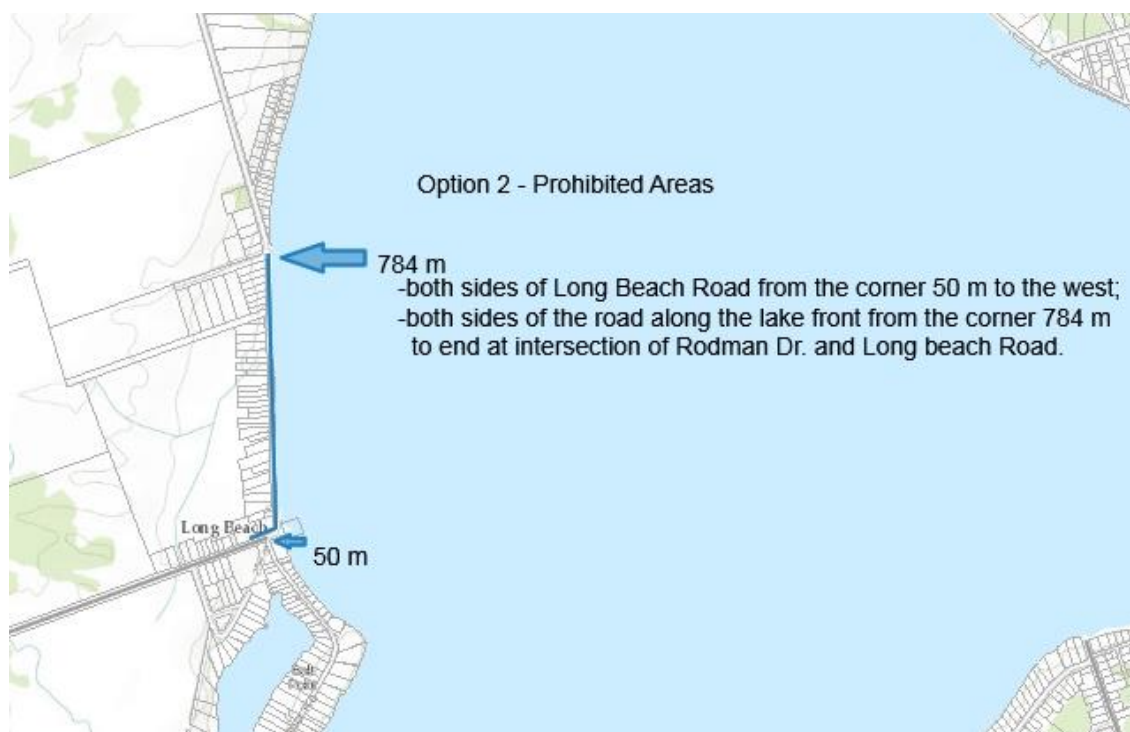


2. That the parking by-law be amended as per the map included below to create Prohibited parking areas on both sides of Long Beach Road from the corner approximately 50 m to the west (as described in option 1); and that prohibited parking areas be created on both sides of the road along the lake front from the corner north 784 m to end at intersection of Rodman Dr. and Long beach Road.

In all options, Staff examines the need for specific regulation and the general purpose of the Parking By-law is to regulate traffic, parking and emergency vehicle access.

Consideration has been made to the responses received from the study. While a number of the responses appear to not be in favour of regulation in the area, some citizens have indicated that the suggested regulation be expanded to cover a greater area along the section of roadway that runs parallel to Sturgeon Lakes.

This option includes the increased sight lines from both directions for vehicles entering into the corner and for vehicles exiting the parking lots of the area businesses. The prohibited area would be extended along the north section of Long Beach Road on both sides, which will limit parking for all residents located in the area and will increase sight lines and provide space for pedestrians and vehicles to use the roadway. Staff considers safety and sight lines to be an integral part of the Parking By-Law, therefore this is the recommended option.



3. That the parking by-law be amended as per the map below to create prohibited parking areas on east side of Long Beach Road from # 439 north 735 m to end at the intersection of Rodman Dr. and Long beach Road; and

That prohibited parking areas are created on both sides of Long Beach Road 50 m in either direction of the corner.

This option provides parking regulation from the corner on both sides of the roadway 50 m in either direction and extends it north on the east side the roadway narrows, and limits permitted parking to the lakeside. Allowing parking will reduce the travelled portion of the roadway to a single lane. Having this option will slow traffic down and still offer expanded parking to area residents.



Other Alternatives Considered:

An alternative that has been considered is to leave the By-law unchanged. This would permit parking on both sides of the roadway which includes parking for a maximum amount of 12 hours.

Financial Considerations:

Cost of prohibited area signs and installation to bring By-Law into effect.

This amendment may generate complaints which will increase administrative and enforcement staff time for response and patrol, issue Parking Infraction Notice (tickets) and process the complaint/ticket issued within the parking tracking system and Provincial Offences Court.

Relationship of Recommendation(s) To the 2016-2019 Strategic Plan:

These proposed changes align with Strategic Goals as we continue to promote a healthy environment by installing efficient infrastructure to maintain roadway and pedestrian safety.

Review of Accessibility Implications of Any Development or Policy:

N/A

Servicing Comments:

N/A

Consultations:

Mike Farquhar, Supervisor – Engineering, Technical Services
Joseph Kelly – Engineering

Attachments:



Appendix -A-
Memorandum.pdf



Appendix -B- Long
Beach Rd area of Stu



Appendix -C- Long
Beach Road resident



Appendix -D- Long
Beach Road - response

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