

## Request for Decision

### Walford Road - Parking Restrictions

Presented To:	Traffic Committee
Presented:	Tuesday, Apr 27, 2010
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### Recommendation

That parking be prohibited on both sides of Walford Road from 61 metres east of Paris Street to 275 metres east of Paris Street, between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., each day and;

That parking be prohibited on both sides of Walford Road from Paris Street to 61 metres east of Paris Street and;

That a by-law be passed by City Council to amend Traffic and Parking By-Law 2010-1 in the City of Greater Sudbury to implement the recommended changes all in accordance with the report from the General Manager of Infrastructure Services dated April 21, 2010.

### Background

The City's Roads and Transportation Services Division received a petition from the residents of Walford Road requesting that parking be prohibited on both sides of Walford Road East (see Exhibit 'B'). At their meeting on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009, the Traffic Committee agreed to defer the request until the parking issues at the Sudbury Regional Hospital – Laurentian Site have been addressed. Recently Councillor Caldarelli has asked that the request be brought back to the Traffic Committee for consideration.

The section of Walford Road under review is designated as a collector roadway located east of Paris Street (see Exhibit 'A'). Walford Road provides access to the local residential properties and the Idylwyld Golf and Country Club at the east end of the road. In this area, Walford Road is constructed to an urban standard with an asphalt surface width of 10 metres and a sidewalk on the north side.

Recently, the Sudbury Regional Hospital has closed the St. Joseph site on Paris Street and relocated staff and patient care to the new hospital site located north of Walford Road. Due to the pay for parking policy, and a shortage of on-site parking, staff and patients of the hospital have started to park on Walford Road adjacent to the south limit of their parking lot.

The primary function of a public road is for the safe movement of traffic. On-street parking is usually

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permitted when this criteria is met. However, public roads are not intended to provide free, long term overflow parking for institutions and major commercial areas. Often times parking is prohibited or restricted near these facilities due to resident complaints.

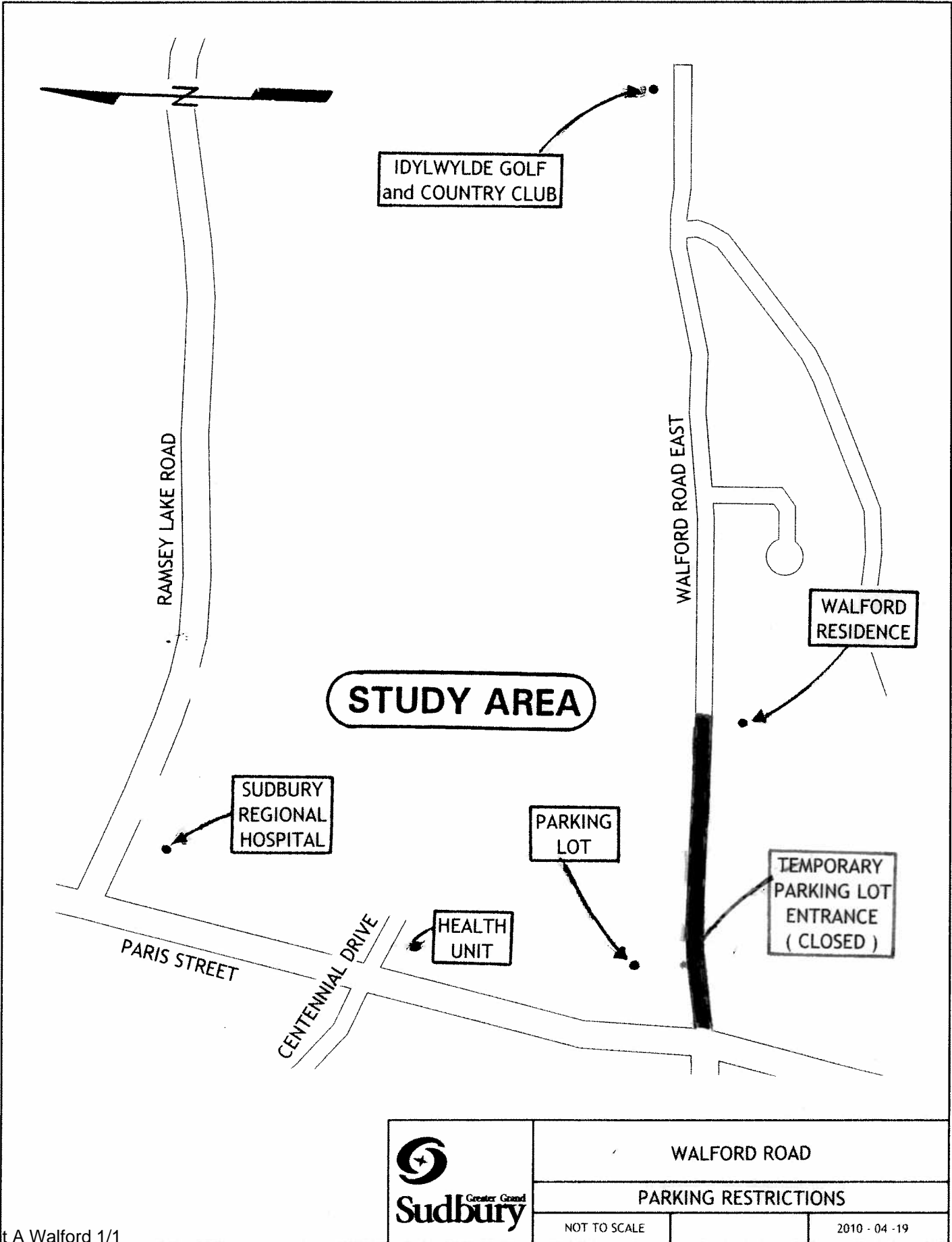
Parking is currently prohibited on the north side of Walford Road from Paris Street to 46 metres east of Paris Street, and on the south side of Walford Road from Paris Street to 61 metres east of Paris Street. Parking is also prohibited on the south side of Walford Road from Nephawin Road to the east end.

In order to try and eliminate the long term hospital parking problem, while still maintaining some on-street parking for residents, it is recommended that parking be prohibited on both sides of Walford Road from 61 metres east of Paris Street to the Walford Residence located 275 metres east of Paris Street, between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. This time period should cover the various shifts at the hospital while leaving evening parking available for residents. While it is difficult to know how far people will walk for free parking, the Walford Residence is a good starting point for the easterly limit. If the parking problems move further to the east, then the parking restrictions can be extended in the future.

It is also recommended that the parking prohibition near Paris Street be evened out so that parking is prohibited on both sides of Walford Road from Paris Street to 61 metres east of Paris Street.

Councillor Caldarelli has indicated her support for Staff's recommendation.

EXHIBIT: A



## INTEROFFICE MEMO

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**DATE:** November 27, 2009

**TO:** G. Clausen, General Manager of Infrastructure Services

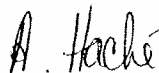
**FROM:** A. Haché, City Clerk

**RE:** **Petition - Parking on Walford Road & Emergency Exit from Hospital**

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At the City Council meeting of November 25, 2009, Councillor Caldarelli submitted a petition to the City Clerk regarding requesting that a "No Parking – Both Sides" sign be installed on Walford Road at the bottom of the hill by Paris Street and that the 'emergency exit' on Walford Road from the hospital not be opened for permanent daily use, signed by approximately 48 residents of Walford Road.

Attached is a copy of the cover page of the petition and the first page of signatures. The complete petition is available in the Clerk's Office if you wish to review it.



Angie Haché  
City Clerk

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Attachment

cc: R. Falcioni, Director of Roads & Transportation

November 20, 2009

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ATTENTION: FRANCES CALDARELLI - WARD 10  
Phone: 671-2224 - Fax: ~~624-2408~~ 671-7176

RE: 1. Hospital Visitors/Staff Parking on Walford Road  
2. Use of Emergency Exit from Hospital to Walford Road

As a resident of Walford Road I would like to voice my concerns with the staff and visitors of the Sudbury Regional Hospital Laurentian Site using our street as an extension of the Hospital parking lot – presumably to avoid paying the \$4.00/day or the \$50.00/month parking fee for that Site.  
The Hospital parking lot is extensive, and fully capable of handling these parking requirements.

Walford Road is a narrow, residential street without adding more congestion, to an already very busy traffic flow.

We currently have the Idylwyde Golf & Curling Club traffic; the Walford Seniors Home; students walking to attend the 3 schools at the West End of Walford (MacLeod Public School; St. Theresa, and Lockerby Composite Highschool) there is also school buses picking up and dropping off children twice daily; and of course, the daily use by the residents of our road.

Apparently, (according to the By-Law Office) it is legal to park on the side of the road for a period of 4 hours. I feel that even for that length of time, the obstruction of 2-way traffic is greatly hindered. This is in evidence now, with Winter approaching it will be even worse

I am suggesting that a "No Parking – Both Sides" sign be installed at the bottom of our hill by Paris Street. This should suffice to inform the Public. I certainly would not want a series of signs lining Walford Road as this would be unnecessary; visual clutter.

In reference to the Emergency Exit – there have been "rumblings" that it be opened up for permanent daily use – I am totally against that be instituted for the same above concerns.

Thanking you in advance for your consideration of these matters.

Sincerely,



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cc: Dr Roy, Chief Executive Office  
Sudbury Regional Hospital

**PETITION RE: HOSPITAL STAFF/VISITORS PARKING ON WALFORD ROAD /  
USE OF EMERGENCY EXIT ON WALFORD ROAD**

NAME	ADDRESS
Dorothy A. Wall	15 Walford Rd.
Lorraine Manninen	73 Walford Rd.
Peter Manninen	73 Walford Rd.
Toini Tupakka	67 Walford Rd.
Tammy Chequis and Rob Rice	79 Walford Rd.
Sharon Regent	85 Walford Rd.
Sharon	86 Walford Rd.
R. Tate (R. TATE)	104 Walford Rd.
Debi Polano	96 Walford Rd.
Barbara Polano	96 Walford Rd.
Lin Nichols	135 Walford Rd.
Wayne Buckingham	149 Walford Rd.
Graeme Mount	150 Walford Rd.
Cicile Pollasel	127 Walford Rd.
Bruno Pollasel	127 Walford Rd.
Pat Pulladine -	120 Walford Rd.
R. Mount R. MOUNT	142 Walford Rd.
Yajima Carmiello	158 Walford Rd.
Mike	166 Walford Rd.
MARY LIND	269 Walford Rd.

December 2, 2009

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ATTENTION: **FRANCES CALDARELLI – WARD 10**  
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RE **1. Clarification of sign to be posted for parking on Walford Road East**  
**2. Closure of South Tower Side Entrance – to be used for Emergency Use only**

I am writing to respond to my notice of Councillor Caldarelli's submission to the City Clerk re: No Parking Both Sides Signs to be installed at the bottom our hill by Paris Street.

We are asking that the sign posting be **very clear - that the No Parking Both Sides would be enforced for the entire length of Walford Road East (not only at the top of the hill by the Emergency Exit).** We already have no parking at the end of our road by the Idylwyde Golf and Curling Club to advise the patrons that they must use their parking facility only, as the neighbours at that end of our road were having difficulty accessing and leaving their driveways.

Although the major contributor to the parking on the sides of our road is Hospital staff and visitors, unfortunately we do have a select few neighbours who do not monitor where their residents and guests of their home park – which also compounds and adds to the congestion and bottleneck driving on our road. ***We all have difficulty safely entering and exiting our driveways, in any season. This sign would clearly rectify that problem.***

It has been noted that since the South Tower Side Entrance has been temporarily closed (November 27, 2009 for 2 weeks only) there has been significant less cars parked on Walford Road. I assume the option of parking on Walford Road for free, and facing the long walk from the road, across the parking lot, up the hill to the Main Entrance of the Hospital, is a bit too labour intensive, the option being, ***paying for parking***, and having close proximity to the Hospital. My suggestion would be to have the South Tower Exit as is an Emergency Exit only which discourage people from parking on our road..

To address Mr. Sean Barrette's Communication Officer for Sudbury Regional Hospital's concern that when we have a single site Hospital – with 1400 staff – the Hospital might have to resubmit a request to reopen the Emergency Exit – I would bring to Mr. Barrette's attention that in the next few weeks Ellis Don and Ontario Electric will be leaving – giving the Hospital even more parking than they do now.

As a daily walker/runner across this parking lot - it has always be very clearly evident that this parking lot is very extensive. The 1400 staff – will not be on site at the same time; there will be staggering shifts – therefore there will not be a necessity to open up the Emergency Exit – the Ramsey Lake Road and Paris Street Exits will be more that accommodating for this traffic flow of staff and visitors.

Thanking you in advance for consideration of these matters.

Sincerely



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Cc: G. Clausen General Manager of Infrastructure Services  
✓ R. Falcioni, Director of Roads & Transportation

cc: Sean Barrette, Communications Officer