

Parking Restrictions – Maki Avenue, Sudbury

Traffic and Asset Management staff received a request from area residents to review sight lines with consideration to on-street parking on Maki Avenue in the location of the hill near 193 Maki Avenue.

Maki Avenue is located in Ward 10 and runs perpendicular to Paris Street. This paved residential roadway has an operating width of approximately 7.0 metres, curb and gutter and a posted speed limit of 40 km/h (Exhibit 'A').

Near the mid-point of the road there is a steep hill and crest which residents are concerned reduces their sight distance. Staff conducted a sight line review of the area and found that the available sight lines do not provide minimum stopping sight distance in the area of concern. Staff also reviewed the collision history between January 1, 2009 and September 1, 2017 and found one reported collision which may have been related to the sight lines.

The primary function of a public road is for the safe movement of traffic. On-street parking may be considered when this criteria is met. Due to the geometry of the hill, motorists' sight distance lines are significantly reduced and the risk of collision is higher when vehicles are parked on the street.

To improve safety, it is recommended that parking be restricted at all times of the day on both sides of Maki Avenue from 480 metres east of Paris Street to 654 metres east of Paris Street.