

Parking prohibited on parts of rural roads

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The Town is putting parking prohibitions in place on two rural roads to remedy what Conservation Halton deemed an "unsafe situation."

Council passed a bylaw at its meeting last week to ban parking on Walkers Line from No. 3 Sideroad to a point 190 metres south and on Bell School Line from Steeles Avenue to No. 14 Sideroad.

In a report to council, Engineering Services Director Paul Cripps explains, "Conservation Halton states that park users and cyclists are parking on these roadways in order to avoid paying for parking at the Conservation Halton parking lots, thus creating an unsafe situation for motorists and passengers entering and exiting the parked vehicles as well as creating unnecessary delay for emergency vehicles because of blocked driveways."

At the meeting, Steeles Avenue resident Mike Grimwood suggested the Town ask Conservation Halton to reimburse it for costs associated with the 'No Parking' signs.

He went on to a question who's going to enforce the parking prohibition.

Cripps said it would be looked after on a complaint basis or when there's a safety issue.

But Grimwood argued that a complaint basis "is just not sufficient" and suggested the Town should look at improving enforcement.

Ward 3 Councillor Jan Mowbray asked Grimwood how often he would suggest enforcement should be done without having to increase the Town's budget.

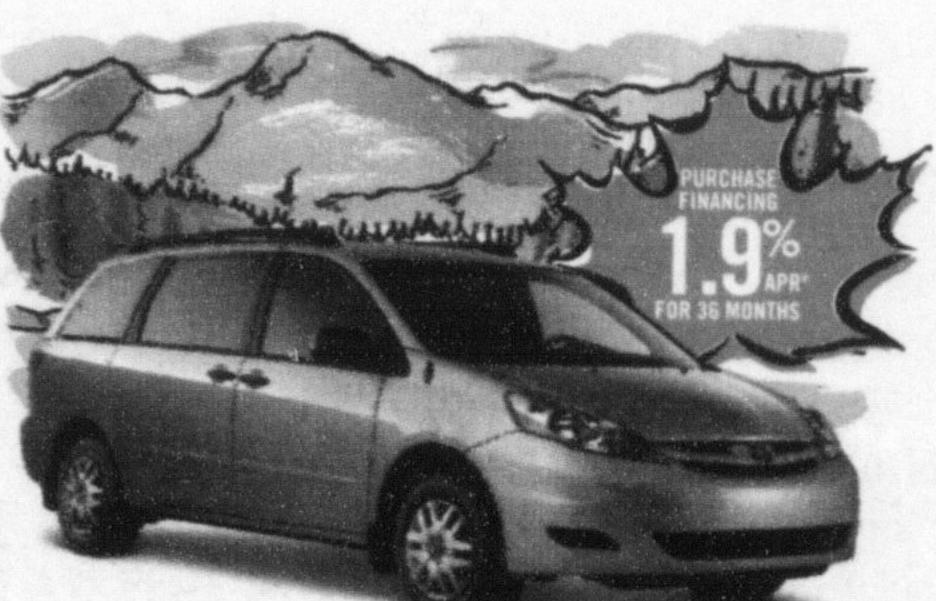
He told her that it wouldn't be difficult to identify the times of day people would most likely be parked in the 'No Parking' areas.

Staff estimates it'll cost \$1,500 to install the signs.

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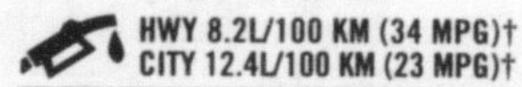
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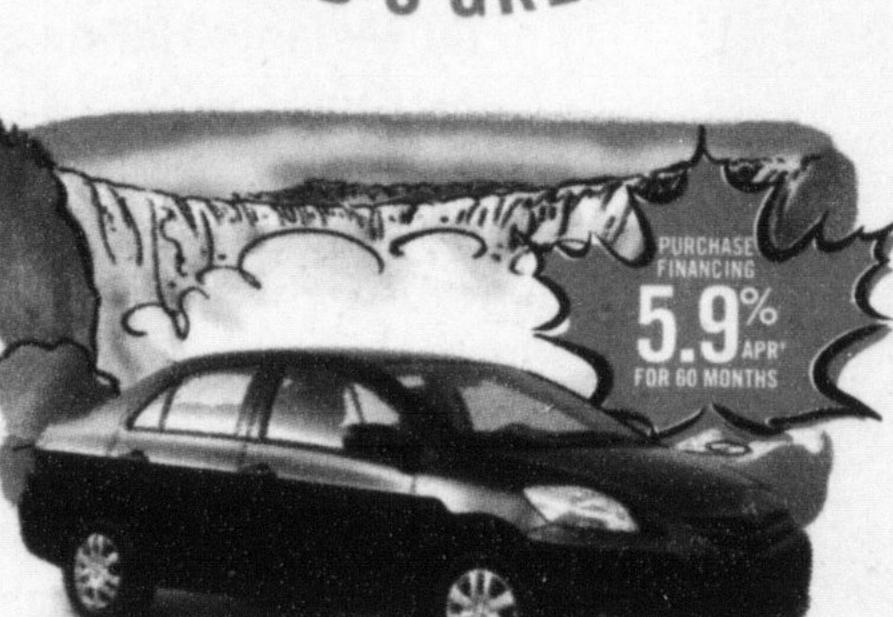
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