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To: Municipal Services Committee
From: Eric Lom, City Traffic Engineer
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Re: Proposed parking restriction on Rail Road near Derks Park
Follow-Up to Six-Month Trial Period

Aldersperson Baranowski recently received numerous concerns about safety issues on Rail Road in the area of Derks Park. During the summer months, park users were parking on *both* sides of Rail Road. Children were often observed darting into traffic when their parents would park on the opposite side of the street from the park (the north side of the street), which presented a safety concern.

In an effort to address this, an extension of the existing *No Parking* restriction was tested on the north side of Rail Road, extending from Kensington Drive to the first residential property to the west. While there was some concern this restriction would have the unintended effect of pushing the problem further west, we have received no negative feedback to that effect.

We believe this change has improved safety in this area. Additionally, we have received no negative feedback from the neighborhood regarding this change. As such we recommend making the change permanent.

To accomplish this, the following ordinance action is required:

1. **Create:** "Parking be prohibited on the north side of Rail Road from Kensington Drive to a point 425 feet west of Kensington Drive."