

## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

Moved by:		Date: September 9, 2019
	Councillor M. Johnson	<u> </u>
Seconded by:	ed by:	Resolution No.:
	Councillor J. Fogal	Item No. 15.1

WHEREAS parking in residential areas in Halton Hills has become increasingly difficult over time due to residents owning more cars than can be accommodated on their property;

AND WHEREAS residents have been utilizing the town-owned boulevards, roadsides, town parks and other solutions for parking their cars both overnight and during daytime hours;

AND WHEREAS Town of Halton Hills Council and staff have received numerous complaints from residents regarding people parking in contravention to the Town's parking by-laws including parking inappropriately over sidewalks, on grass boulevards or over the 5 hour maximum parking limit;

AND WHEREAS the Town will be initiating a detailed parking study in the Fall of 2019 with recommendations to address concerns from residents

AND WHEREAS the Study is expected to be completed in the Spring of 2020;

AND WHEREAS residents with disabilities may need to accommodate more vehicles than can be accommodated on their properties due to an attendant or family member being required to stay for periods of time to provide care to the a disabled person;

AND WHEREAS vehicles used to transport disabled persons may be larger than most regular vehicles and therefore, required larger or additional parking spaces, or may require empty space beside them to allow handicapped access;

AND WHEREAS many people with disabilities have expressed frustration about

receiving parking tickets due to the special requirements;

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that on an interim basis, until the Town's Parking Study is completed and recommendations have been approved by Council, the following changes to the existing parking permissions will be made;

- 1. That the existing 5 hour on-street parking limit be extended to 6 hours, and that the 6 hour on-street parking limit become into effect as of <u>September 30, 2019</u> to provide Town staff time to make the necessary changes to signage, parking tickets, parking software, and for the new 6 Hour Set Fine wording to be submitted and approved by the Attorney General as per the required legislation;
- 2. That individuals who have been issued an accessible parking permit by the Province of Ontario will be exempt from on-street parking limits, except during the Winter Control Ban;

AND FURTHER THAT individuals who have been issued an accessible parking permit by the Province of Ontario must clearly display the permit on the front dashboard of the vehicle to ensure it is visible at all times;

AND FURTHER THAT it is the responsibility of individuals who have been issued an accessible parking permit to be aware of Regulation 581 of the Highway Traffic Act – *Accessible Parking For Persons With Disabilities* - to understand restrictions surrounding use of said permit;

AND FURTHER THAT consideration for people with disabilities and their resultant parking needs be considered during the Town Parking Study that will be initiated in the Fall, so that accommodation can be made to meet their needs;

AND FURTHER THAT it is the responsibility of all residents to first utilize available parking spaces in their driveways and garages prior to utilizing on-street parking;

AND FURTHER THAT the changes to parking permissions, as outlined in this motion, be put into force on a temporary basis until the Town Parking Study is completed and approved by Town Council;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town's Winter Control Parking Ban remain in effect.

Mayor Rick Bonnette	