

**CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES
TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION**

October 7, 2008

**PARKING CONCERNS
CUMBERLAND DRIVE
(Hamlin Road to Prospect Drive)
Section #27**

Background

On February 14, 2006 the Advisory Traffic & Safety Board adopted TCO PK-88. Attached herewith are the approved traffic minutes from this meeting. The ATSB adopted TCO PK-88 to prohibit on-street parking within Cumberland Drive from Hamlin Road to Prospect Drive during school days only from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. At this time the ATSB reviewed complaints citing conflicts with Cumberland Drive ingress and egress traffic and parked vehicles waiting to drop off / pick up students for Hamlin Elementary School. The problem existed when Hamlin Elementary students were present and walking within the street between parked vehicles on either side of Cumberland Drive for the boulevard entrance between Hamlin Road and Prospect Drive.

Recently, the Traffic Engineering Department received a complaint from an area resident within the Cumberland Hills Subdivision that the same type of traffic conflicts are occurring on Cumberland Drive while middle school and high school students are waiting at bus stops for the intersection of Hamlin Road and Cumberland Drive. The complainant states vehicles park adjacent to the Cumberland Drive median island and wait to drop off students for school bus stops on school weekdays between the hours 7:00 AM–8:00 AM.

Upon inspecting the above complaint in the field, we found vehicles parked within the roadway for Cumberland Drive (Hamlin Road-Prospect Drive) between the hours of 7:00 AM to 8:00 AM on school days, such that the parking presented conflicts with students at bus stops and normal ingress – egress traffic. It was observed that middle school and high school students waiting at the bus stops stand within the median island, or at either of southeast and southwest intersection quadrants. This presents conflicts with parents waiting to drop off other students for the bus stops by attempting to park as close to the intersection of Hamlin Road and Cumberland Drive as possible.

As with TCO PK-88, we believe there is adequate on street parking available within Cumberland Drive, located south of Prospect Drive and away from the Hamlin Road entrance and median traffic island. Therefore, Staff recommends rescinding TCO PK-88 on Cumberland Drive from the hours of 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM and adopting TCO PK- 98 whereas extending the parking restriction hours from 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM school days only. This would include parents dropping off middle school and high school students.

Action Requested

We request that the Traffic and Safety Board supports having TCO No. PK-88 rescinded and superseded by the issue of PK-98, and that the Board recommends that the City Council approve the TCO until rescinded or superseded.

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