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Subject: 2nd Battle of Stoney Creek over parking

From: Craig Parmenter

Sent: March 2, 2024 1:03 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca; Francis, Matt <Matt.Francis@hamilton.ca>

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Good Afternoon

This is a copy of an email I sent to my Councillor Matt Francis. He requested I forward this to the City Clerk office so it's added to the agenda regarding the upcoming meeting about the municipal parking lot in Stoney Creek.

Thank you

Craig Parmenter

Begin forwarded message:

From: Craig Parmenter

Date: March 2, 2024 at 12:14:00 PM EST

To: Matt Francis <Matt.Francis@hamilton.ca>

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Good Morning Matt

I have been watching with interest how this issue around the parking lot on Lake Ave South in generating a lot of buzz.

The spectator has weighed into the issue on a few occasions. I've noticed the Councillors that are against the parking lot are all from the west end of the city and Ancaster. They have been quite condescending too. I referring to John-Paul Danko, Maureen Wilson and Craig Caesar. They don't have any skin in the game but lots of opinion. Not unusual in politics.

The most recent article in the spectator Saturday edition relied heavily on comments by Councillor Craig Cassar and a map of the downtown core showing private and public parking. He comments in his X post that residential buildings, auto services & business are excluded from his analysis.

I'm going to suggest he has never been down in Stoney Creek to see what is actually happening. He simply took a google map shot and came to faulty analysis.

Being a resident I know those locations and I have created a list with short explanation for you.

Z - is a Doctors office with about 5 to 6 spots. I've seen people park at Shoppers Drug Mart to go to the doctors office.

X- is Shoppers Drug Mart. Last time I checked that was a business.

Y- property owned by Shoppers Drug Mart for employee parking.

W- locked in property because of future construction taking down old Britannia Cleaners right to Mountain Avenue North

V- Parking for Village Restaurant. Used to be two very tiny about 800 sq ft homes. Very small lot can hold about 20 cars

S - Multiple business location with a salon. Parking for employee and customer. Approximately 5 spots. Last I checked it was a business.

R- Powerhouse Restaurant about 30 vehicles. Try finding a spot from 3:00 PM forward. Again last time I checked a business.

Q- Small businesses and an overflow for Powerhouse Restaurant.

O- Attic Pizza and Marijuana Shop. Again both businesses

N - multiple businesses at front facing King and business in back. Parking lot in back about 15 parking spots.

M & L multiple business at this location. Limited parking again

K - small grocery store and salon share parking. Employees and customers. Approximately 10 parking spots

I - Elmking Plaza multiple businesses including pizza shop, restaurant and variety store. Approximately 30 parking spots

H- businesses that face King Street and Mountain Ave. Again all businesses

G - Medical Arts building loaded with businesses. Most of the parking lot is reserved for employees

ABC - The parking lot which is part of the 2nd Battle of Stoney Creek

D - paved lot which was staff parking for the old Hyslep School which is now a park.

BB - First Street which is residential and limited parking. Usually residents of the area.

T - Jones Street residential again with people living on the street parking there.

O- Public Parking for about 6 vehicles. This lot is surrounded by townhouses and five apartment buildings

Hopefully this puts some context to this latest argument. I would have thought the spectator would have done some fact checking. They just simply regurgitated what Councillor Cassar posted, but I guess that's common today.

I do notice that you and other councillors are taking a strong stand. I feel it's important to give you a point of view from a resident. Hopefully you can use this information.

Craig Parmenter



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