

CHART REGARDING FRIENDS OF RYERSON PARK PROPOSALS
Meeting of NOTL Committee of the Whole January 17, 2022

| | ORIGINAL 2021 PROPOSAL BY FRIENDS OF RYERSON PARK | RESPONSE BY TOWN | CURRENT POSITION OF FRIENDS OF RYERSON PARK |
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| 1 | The Friends' proposal was for NOTL resident parking only on all Chautauqua streets. Residents and their guests would be allowed to park only on one side of those streets. The reasons for this included pedestrian and resident safety and emergency vehicle access. | Town has prohibited parking by everyone on one side of the streets for Wilberforce, Vincent, Shakespeare (south of Wycliffe), Wycliffe, Luther, Addison and Circle. Short stretches along Vincent and Wilberforce have been designated as no parking on both sides of the street. These apply to both residents and visitors. | We support these parking restrictions being made permanent. However, FORP recognizes that these restrictions may only be necessary in the high visitor traffic months. Therefore, we support Council's motion of November 22, 2021, directed Town Staff to consider prohibiting parking on applicable streets during May 15 to November 15 of each year only, or another period that reflects the Town's enforcement schedule. |
| 2 | The Friends' proposal was to increase fines for by-law infractions to \$100. The reasons for this included ensuring compliance with the other new requirements and to avoid lower parking fines becoming just an access fee. | Town implemented a Special Enforcement area on the above streets with a parking fine of \$150. The City of Hamilton for example has created Special Enforcement areas, with a higher parking fine. (\$250) | We support the Special Enforcement Area being permanent. We would also support aligning the applicable time frames, if necessary, with the Town's enforcement schedule as per item 1 above. |
| 3 | The Friends' proposal was to reduce the speed limit to 35 kph on all Chautauqua streets. The reasons were to address safety and excessive noise concerns. | Town has not taken action despite our requests and despite speed limit reductions being implemented in many other Ontario municipalities and elsewhere in NOTL. For example, the City of Toronto has reduced many speed limits near parks and schools to 30 kph. Some speed limits have recently been reduced in NOTL by Council and the Region. | We will continue to strongly advocate for speed limit reductions in Chautauqua, which will address both safety and noise concerns. We are again asking the Town to implement speed limit reductions in Chautauqua. |

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| 4 | <p>The Friends proposals were for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ryerson Park closure at 10 p.m. - Clear signage of permitted uses and lack of facilities at Ryerson Park. | <p>Town implemented a new Parks By-law covering all NOTL parks. Among other things, it covers: open/close time; no vehicles, no fires, no tents and appropriate signage.</p> | <p>In general, we support the new Park By-law being made permanent. Our supporters are looking forward to responding to the survey that Town staff will be conducting about the new By-law, and some may have comments on closing times for Ryerson and Chautauqua Parks.</p> |
| 5 | <p>The Friends' proposal was to change a three-way stop at the Mississauga and Queen intersection. We also asked to reduce the current two lanes on Queen heading north-west towards that intersection to one, to help avoid having lost drivers heading towards Chautauqua.</p> | <p>Town made the intersection a 3-way stop and implemented a "bump out", which reduced the two north-west lanes down to one prior to the intersection.</p> | <p>We support the Town's changes. We believe they have helped reduce the volume of visitors who drive through Chautauqua without knowing where they are going.</p> <p>In particular, we support the three-way stop and the new traffic signs. We also support the reduction of northbound Queen Street to one lane at the intersection, whether it is accomplished by the current "bump out" or some other means.</p> |
| 6 | <p>The Friends' proposal was to change from No Parking to a No Stopping-Tow Away Zone on hairpin (Shakespeare and Niagara Boulevard).</p> | <p>Town implemented a No Stopping zone on this corner.</p> | <p>We support the Town's change. With the SEA in place, we are no longer requesting a Tow-Away zone.</p> |
| 7 | <p>The Friends' proposal was to have strict enforcement of all by-law infractions.</p> | <p>Town hired a 2021 contract By-law officer for the Chautauqua area in the high traffic months to supplement enforcement by the other Town By-law officers. As a result, enforcement in our area in 2021 of the new requirements was effective.</p> | <p>It is essential that there be strong enforcement of all these requirements in Chautauqua on an ongoing basis. None of the new requirements will be very effective without it.</p> <p>We will strongly advocate for robust enforcement to continue in future years, whether by the Town again hiring a contract By-law officer or other means. We ask the Town to include the cost of doing this in its 2022 budget.</p> |
| 8 | <p>Town to be innovative when they implement new signage requirements to maintain the aesthetics of our community.</p> | <p>Town has done a very good job in addressing our concerns when implementing the new parking signs.</p> | <p>We support the Town's efforts and have no concerns at this time.</p> |