

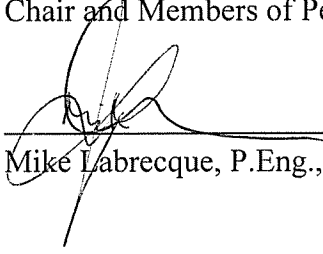


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Peninsula Community Council
May 8, 2006

TO: Chair and Members of Peninsula Community Council

SUBMITTED BY:


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DATE: April 18, 2006

SUBJECT: South St. Access to Northwest Arm Dr.

INFORMATION REPORT

ORIGIN

Item 14 raised at the April 10, 2006 meeting of the Peninsula Community Council.

BACKGROUND

A number of concerns regarding denied access to the water at this location were expressed, including that: "access to the Northwest Arm off South Street has been blocked by a large number of rocks which have been placed at the high water mark across the street", "an unofficial 'No Parking' sign has been attached to a telephone pole on South Street at this location", "these efforts may be an attempt on behalf of private home owners to block public water access", and a request was made that "these situations be remedied."

DISCUSSION

The South St. right of way does extend into Northwest Arm. This natural access to the water has always been and is intended to remain open to the public. The rocks which are currently blocking the access to the water were placed by persons unknown and are to be removed by HRM Works personnel.

Traffic Control records indicate that the north side of South St. had traditionally (since 1980) "No Parking Anytime" in effect down to the high water mark to ensure that vehicles were not left parked in a manner which would deny access to the water by others. Staff was just recently and separately from this current request, asked to review this area for parking controls and has authorized the replacement of two missing "No Parking Anytime" signs on the lower portion of this north side. The unofficial "No Parking" sticker will be removed.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

There are no budget implications.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

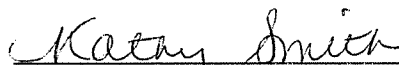
This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

ALTERNATIVES

There are no recommended alternatives.

Further information regarding the contents of this report may be obtained by contacting Kevin McEachern at 490-6133. Additional copies of this report and information on its status, can be obtained by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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