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Maple Ridge Council Moves Forward on Residents Only Parking Policy

Maple Ridge, BC: On April 30, 2012, Maple Ridge Mayor and Council asked staff to develop a Residents Only Parking Policy to address excessive non-local vehicle parking in some Maple Ridge neighbourhoods. The goal of the policy is to alleviate potential conflicts and the dissatisfaction of affected residents in neighbourhoods adjacent to areas of high parking demand such as hospitals, transportation hubs or commercial hubs.

The District currently uses time-limited parking through signage to manage parking-related issues; however, a number of municipalities within the lower mainland have some form of 'Resident Only' parking permit process that is used to address some specific neighbourhood areas that are similar to the ones that have been brought forward in Maple Ridge.

"The issue has come forward based on phone calls, emails and letters from residents around the Ridge Meadows Hospital, people who live close to the West Coast Express Station in Port Haney and home owners whose properties are close to some neighbourhood pubs," noted Mayor Daykin. "Each of these three examples requires that a different approach be taken to deal with the issues. There is not one solution that will fit every situation. In some cases we may look at 'resident only' parking all day, and in some areas the use of time restrictions and enforcement may be enough to deal with the problem," he continued.

The proposed Policy is expected to be back before Council in June.