



TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

TO:	Council	
DATE:	June 8, 2021	DIVISION: 9
FILE:	N/A	APPLICATION: N/A
SUBJECT:	Proposed Parking Change on Glenbow Road	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to seek direction from Council regarding a roadside parking change being proposed by Glenbow Ranch Park Foundation (“GRPF”) along Glenbow Road. GRPF is proposing the current no parking restrictions along the length of Glenbow Road be eased to allow parking on the east side of the road only.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION:

Administration recommends approval in accordance with Option #1.

BACKGROUND:

Glenbow Ranch Provincial Park has encountered a constant increase in traffic since opening to the public on August 9th, 2011. With the onset of COVID-19 and a shift in Albertans to recreate there, the volume of visitors rose to an unacceptable level generating significant parking and safety concerns. Glenbow Road is not constructed to accommodate this volume of traffic and residents on the road have been negatively impacted. Discussions between the residents, County and Alberta Parks resulted in no parking restrictions being put in place as a response.

Since the installation and enforcement of the no parking restrictions, safety issues have decreased and the residents have been provided relief from the negative impacts. In addition, the County continues to work with Alberta Environment and Parks and the Glenbow Ranch Parks Foundation on mitigation measures to alleviate concerns. One strategy being discussed to improve this situation is the use of parking attendants to control vehicles and parking conflicts. Implementation of this strategy would alleviate some of Administration’s concerns related to road safety.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

Approved traffic signage changes are contained within the approved 2021 operating budget.

OPTIONS:

- Option #1: THAT Administration be directed to continue to work with Alberta Environment and Parks and the Glenbow Ranch Park Foundation on a parking and vehicle control strategy that is acceptable and maintains road safety and park access.

- Option #2: THAT the request from the Glenbow Ranch Park Foundation be accepted and vehicle parking be allowed on the east side of Glenbow Road.

- Option #3: THAT alternative direction be provided.

Administration Resources

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ATTACHMENTS:

ATTACHMENT ‘A’: Glenbow Ranch Park Foundation Letter