

Meeting of November 6, 2017

South Portland City Council
Position Paper of the City Manager

Subject:

ORDER #84-17/18 – Amending the “Traffic Schedule,” regarding designating Dartmouth Street and Rumery Road as Tow-Away Zones. Passage requires majority vote.

Position:

The Police Department has been experiencing ongoing issues with parking on Dartmouth Street and Rumery Road. Dartmouth Street was designated as “No Parking,” on both sides in its entirety, on July 6, 2011; Rumery Road was designated as “No Parking,” on both sides in its entirety, on January 3, 2001.

Police Chief Ed Googins is recommending the Traffic Schedule be amended to designate both roads as Tow-Away Zones. Under Sec. 15-212, of the Code of Ordinances, the City Council may designate such zones as needed:

Sec. 15-212. Schedule of streets where tow-away of vehicles authorized.

The council shall establish by order a schedule of "Tow-away Zones" which shall be designated as Traffic Schedule No. 18 and kept on file in the office of the city clerk. Said schedule may be amended from time to time by council order. All towing and storage fees shall be the responsibility of the owner of the vehicle.

Property owners of both Dartmouth Street and Rumery Road were notified by letter of the proposed change being brought forward.

Attached is a memorandum from Chief Googins regarding these issues. He will be at Monday’s meeting to answer any questions.

Requested Action:

Council passage of ORDER #84-17/18.



City Manager



POLICE DEPARTMENT

EDWARD J. GOOGINS
CHIEF OF POLICE

AMY J. BERRY
DEPUTY CHIEF

To: Scott Morelli, City Manager
From: Edward J. Googins, Chief of Police
Date: October 19, 2017
Reference: Revisions to the Traffic Schedule

In response to continued problems with tractor-trailer trucks using both Dartmouth Street and Rumery Road as a truck rest stop, I would like to recommend the following changes to the traffic schedule:

- 1) Dartmouth Street, which is already partially designated No Parking, to include both sides the entire length as No Parking and designate as a Tow Away Zone.
- 2) Rumery Road, which is already designated No Parking on both sides, also be designated a Tow Away Zone.

I request these revisions be placed on a future Council agenda for action.

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED TOW-AWAY ZONE
DARMOOUTH STREET AND RUMERY ROAD**

A request has been made to the South Portland City Council to designate Dartmouth Street, in its entirety, and Rumery Road, in its entirety, as Tow-Away Zones. According to City records, your property is located on one of the above named streets.

Currently, Dartmouth Street, in its entirety, is designated as No-Parking (Order #6-11/12) and Rumery Road, in its entirety, is designated as No Parking (Order #98-00/01).

The proposed changes are applicable within South Portland Code of Ordinances, Chapter 15, "Motor Vehicles and Traffic".

Sec. 15-212. Schedule of streets where parking prohibited at all times.

The council shall establish by order a schedule of "No Parking" which shall be designated as Traffic Schedule No. 3 and kept on file in the office of the city clerk. Said schedule may be amended from time to time by council order.

The South Portland City Council will act on the request to designate both Dartmouth Street and Rumery Road as Tow-Away Zones at its meeting on November 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., which will be held at South Portland City Hall, 25 Cottage Road.



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ORDER #84-17/18**

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ORDERED, that the Traffic Schedule be and hereby is amended as follows:

TOW-AWAY ZONE

Dartmouth Street – both sides, in its entirety

Rumery Road – both sides, in its entirety

Fiscal Note: Less than \$1,000

Date: November 6, 2017