

Conversion to Two-Way Operation - Concord Avenue between Bloor Street West and the First Lane North (Davenport)

(City Council on December 14, 15 and 16, 1999, adopted this Clause, without amendment.)

The Toronto Community Council recommends the adoption of the following report (November 26, 1999) from the Director, Transportation Services, District 1:

Purpose:

To change Concord Avenue, from Bloor Street West to Northumberland Street to a two-way street to accommodate a change in bus routing.

Financial Implications and Impact Statement:

Funds to undertake the necessary signage adjustments in the amount of \$500.00 are contained in the Transportation Services Division 1999 Operating Budget.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the one-way operation from north to south on Concord Avenue between Bloor Street West and the first lane north thereof, be rescinded;
- (2) parking be prohibited at any time on the east side of Concord Avenue from Bloor Street West to a point 32.3 metres further north thereof, between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. daily; and
- (3) the appropriate City Officials be requested to take whatever action is necessary to give effect to the foregoing, including the introduction in Council of any Bills that are required.

Background:

The Toronto Transit Commission, at its meeting of November 17th, 1999, approved a request by residents to remove operations from Northumberland Street, just north of the Ossington Subway Station after 11:00 p.m., daily. In order to accommodate this change, it will be necessary for buses to travel northbound on Concord Avenue. Therefore, Transportation Services' staff have reviewed the feasibility of converting the section of Concord Avenue between Bloor Street West and the laneway north of Bloor Street West to a two-way operation, to accommodate the re-routing of buses after 11:00 p.m., daily.

Comments:

Concord Avenue operates one-way southbound between Bloor Street West and the first lane north of Bloor Street, and two-way between the laneway and Northumberland Street. The pavement width is 7.3 metres. The following parking regulations are posted in the field on the subject section of Concord Avenue:

East side

- (a) parking is prohibited at all times from a point 32.3 metres north of Bloor Street West to Northumberland Street;
- (b) parking is permitted for a maximum period of one hour from Bloor Street West to a point 32.3 metres north thereof between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday; and
- (c) parking is otherwise permitted for a maximum period of three hours;

West side

- (a) parking is prohibited at all times from Bloor Street West to Northumberland Street.

From a traffic operations standpoint, implementing a two-way traffic operation on the above-noted section of Concord Avenue is feasible without jeopardizing the operational safety of this roadway. However, it is necessary to prohibit parking between 11:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m., daily, on the east side of Concord Avenue to accommodate the turning of buses during this time period.

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