



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Florence Crescent and Pritchard Avenue – All-Way Stop Signs

Date:	March 8, 2007
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 11 - York South-Weston
Reference Number:	P#07034

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to recommend the installation of an all-way stop at the intersection of Florence Crescent and Pritchard Avenue. The stop signs will enhance the operational and pedestrian safety conditions at this intersection.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council approve an all-way stop control at the intersection of Florence Crescent and Pritchard Avenue.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funding	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$1,000.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Councillor Frances Nunziata, on behalf of area residents, requested Transportation Services staff to investigate the feasibility of implementing an all-way stop control at the intersection of Florence Crescent and Pritchard Avenue.

COMMENTS

Florence Crescent, between Jane Street and St. Clair Avenue West is a local street operating one-way westbound to southbound with a speed limit of 40 km/h and a road width of 7.3 metres. Pritchard Avenue is a local street operating two-way eastbound and westbound with a speed limit of 40 km/h and a road width of 7.3 metres intersecting at its west leg with Florence Crescent to form a “T” type intersection.

A review of the Toronto Police Service collision records over a three-year period ending December 31, 2005, has shown that there have been no speed related collisions.

The justification for the installation of an all-way stop control is subject to a technical warrant adopted by Toronto City Council based on collision history and traffic volume. Neither are satisfied and as a result, this intersection does not meet the criteria for an all-way stop control.

However, there are a number of site conditions and proximity to schools that impact operational safety. Specifically, Florence Crescent has a bend in the roadway as it connects Jane Street to St. Clair Avenue West travelling from west to south. This bend restricts visibility for motorists and children that frequently cross in this vicinity to get to their respective schools. Motorists turning onto Florence Crescent cannot see oncoming traffic due to the bend in the roadway. Vehicles that park through the intersection, add to the visibility, congestion and safety concerns. Observations by Transportation staff show that pedestrian and vehicle conflicts occur primarily during the morning and afternoon peak periods.

Although the intersection of Florence Crescent and Pritchard Avenue fails to meet the necessary technical criteria for all-way stop controls, Transportation staff is of the opinion that safety can be enhanced with an all-way stop sign control and therefore it is recommended.

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ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment No. 1: Map