



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Kipling Avenue and Streight Lane – No Stopping Prohibition

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| Date: | March 29, 2007 |
| To: | Etobicoke York Community Council |
| From: | Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District |
| Wards: | Ward 5 – Etobicoke-Lakeshore |
| Reference Number: | eycc070059-to, 4756 |

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to propose the installation of a “No Stopping Anytime” regulation on the east side of Kipling Avenue between the end of the ramp from westbound Dundas Street West and Streight Lane (private), in conjunction with the removal of the current parking prohibition on this section of Kipling Avenue.

The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) staff have been consulted on this matter and support the report’s recommendations.

The proposed stopping prohibition will address traffic flow and safety issues in the area of the new townhouse development north of the ramp.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council approve the removal of the “No Parking, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays” regulation on the east side of Kipling Avenue, between The Queensway and Prince George Drive;
2. City Council approve the installation of a “No Stopping Anytime” regulation on the east side of Kipling Avenue between the ramp, from westbound Dundas Street West to northbound Kipling Avenue, and Streight Lane (private);

3. City Council approve the installation of a “No Parking, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays” regulation on the east side of Kipling Avenue between The Queensway and the ramp from westbound Dundas Street West to northbound Kipling Avenue; and,
4. City Council approve the installation of a “No Parking, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays” regulation on the east side of Kipling Avenue between Streight Lane and Prince George Drive

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report. An estimated \$300.00 for the installation of the “No Stopping Anytime” signs is to be paid by the developer (Icon Homes).

ISSUE BACKGROUND

A new townhouse complex has been constructed on the east side of Kipling Avenue, just north of the ramp from westbound Dundas Street West to northbound Kipling Avenue. Transportation Services, in consultation with the developer of the townhouse complex (Icon Homes), considered the need for the installation of a “No Stopping Anytime” prohibition on the east side of Kipling Avenue along the frontages of the townhouses. Maps of the area are Attachments No.1 and 2.

COMMENTS

Kipling Avenue, in the area of the new townhouse development, is a four-lane major arterial roadway. The most recent (March 2004) traffic volume on this street is approximately 24,000 vehicles per day.

Traffic control signals are located to the south at the intersection of Kipling Avenue and Bloor Street West.

Parking is currently prohibited 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays on both sides of Kipling Avenue in the area of the townhouse complex. A “No Standing Anytime” prohibition exists on the east side of Kipling, south of the townhouses, within the TTC’s bus stop zone located between the on and off ramps to/from Dundas Street West.

Given the proximity of the ramp from westbound Dundas Street West to northbound Kipling Avenue and the sight line issues resulting from the change in vertical alignment (i.e. up-grade for northbound traffic) on Kipling Avenue between the Dundas Street West overpass and a point north of Bloor Street West, a no stopping zone is required in front of the townhouse development. It should be noted that deliveries to the townhouse complex can be made via a private access (Streight Lane) from Kipling Avenue. In addition, visitor parking is located on-site.

Based on the aforementioned, staff recommends the installation of a “No Stopping Anytime” on the east side of Kipling Avenue between the ramp, from westbound Dundas Street West to northbound Kipling Avenue, and Streight Lane (private).

In conjunction with the installation of the proposed stopping prohibition, amendments to the current “No Parking, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays” prohibition on this section of Kipling Avenue, are recommended.

The proposed stopping prohibition will improve traffic flow and safety on Kipling Avenue north of the ramp from westbound Dundas Street West to northbound Kipling Avenue.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No. 1: Map (Location Plan)
Attachment No. 2: Map