



**STAFF REPORT  
ACTION REQUIRED**

**McRoberts Avenue – Amendments to Traffic Regulations**

<b>Date:</b>	April 11, 2007
<b>To:</b>	Etobicoke York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services and Etobicoke York District
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 17 - Davenport
<b>Reference Number:</b>	eycc070064-to, 4825

**SUMMARY**

This staff report is about a matter for which Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

The purpose of this report is to outline the findings of the investigation to introduce a one-way southbound traffic operation on McRoberts Avenue.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Transportation Services recommend that:**

1. The City Clerk conduct a poll of residents in English, Italian and Portuguese on McRoberts Avenue, between Rogers Road and St. Clair Avenue West to determine whether residents support a one-way southbound operation, and subject to favourable results of the poll, a one-way southbound regulation be implemented on McRoberts Avenue, between Rogers Road and St. Clair Avenue West;
2. Subject to favourable results of the poll, the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take whatever action is necessary to implement the foregoing, including the introduction in Council of any Bills that might be required.

## Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division Operating Budget	\$2000.00

## ISSUE BACKGROUND

Councillor Cesar Palacio, on behalf of area residents, requested Transportation Services staff to review the operational safety concerns arising from the existing two-way operation on McRoberts Avenue. Following an operational review by staff and further consultations with Councillor Cesar Palacio, Transportation Services' staff is reporting on the feasibility of a one-way southbound operation.

## COMMENTS

McRoberts Avenue, between Rogers Road and St. Clair Avenue West, is a local two-way north-south roadway with a pavement width of 7.3 metres and a posted speed limit of 30 km/h (speed hump location).

Parking on the east side of McRoberts Avenue is prohibited at all times. Parking is allowed for a maximum period of one hour from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., daily on the west side of McRoberts Avenue between the first laneway north of St. Clair Avenue West and Norman Avenue. Permit parking is in effect on the west side of McRoberts Avenue from Norman Avenue to a point 83 metres south of Rogers Road. Parking is allowed for a maximum period of three hours at all other times.

Our observations indicate that the narrow width of McRoberts Avenue, combined with the two-way operation and a high demand for on-street parking, has resulted in congestion and potential blockage of the roadway. Changing the operation of the street to a one-way southbound direction on McRoberts Avenue, between Rogers Road and St. Clair Avenue will alleviate traffic congestion and create a safer road environment. A one-way southbound traffic operation is technically feasible.

Residents have indicated that they would support the implementation of a one-way southbound traffic operation on the section of McRoberts Avenue, between Rogers Road and St. Clair Avenue West. However, it was felt that the residents on McRoberts Avenue should be consulted by way of a formal poll. In this regard, it is recommended that the City Clerk be authorized to conduct a formal poll of residents on McRoberts Avenue as described in Recommendation (1) of this report.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment No. 1: Map