

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Racine Road - Parking Regulation Amendments

Date:	July 24, 2007
То:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 2 – Etobicoke North
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SUMMARY

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

The purpose of this report is to propose the removal of a portion of the "No Parking Anytime" regulation on the north side of Racine Road from Taber Road to a point 275.0 metres east of Taber Road and replace this with a one-hour (60 minute) parking limit.

It is appropriate to install maximum "60 minute" parking signs to allow for some short duration on-street parking for customers of the area businesses. This parking limit is supported by the majority of abutting business owners, as shown in a poll that was recently conducted.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

- 1. Rescinding the existing "No Parking Anytime" prohibition on both sides of Racine Road between Martin Grove Road and Kipling Avenue;
- 2. Enacting A "No Parking Anytime" prohibition on the south side of Racine Road between Martin Grove Road and Kipling Avenue;
- 3. Enacting A "No Parking Anytime" prohibition on the north side of Racine Road between Martin Grove Road and Taber Road;
- 4. Enacting A "No Parking Anytime" prohibition on the north side of Racine Road between a point 275.0 metres east of Taber Road and Kipling Avenue; and

5. Enacting a "60-Minute" parking regulation on the north side of Racine Road between Taber Road and a point 275.0 metres east of Taber Road.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$600.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Staff of Transportation Services met with Councillor Rob Ford, Ward 2, Etobicoke North and business owners on Racine Road to discuss permitting some on-street parking on one side of Racine Road. A map of the area is Attachment No. 1.

COMMENTS

Racine Road is a local industrial road located in the community to the north of Rexdale Boulevard, between Kipling Avenue and Martin Grove Road. Parking is currently prohibited at all times on both sides of the road. A continuous sidewalk exists on the south side of the road. The road width in the area to the east of Taber Road is 9.8 metres.

As a result of the request from area businesses, Transportation Services staff sent a survey to the abutting business owners on the north side of Racine Road between Taber Road and a point 275.0 metres east of Taber Road. This survey was to determine if there was support for removing the parking prohibition from this area and replacing it with a "60 minute" parking limit.

This survey received an acceptable response rate with 6 of the 10 businesses (60%) responding. Of those who did respond, four (67%) supported enacting a "60 minute" limit, with two (33%) supporting retaining the existing "No Parking Anytime" prohibition in this area. In order for the proposed parking prohibition to be installed, a minimum of fifty percent (50%) of the polled residents must respond to the parking survey. From this response rate, the majority of the businesses must agree with the proposed parking regulations. Based on these results, the majority of residents are in support of enacting a "60 minute" parking regulation, on a section of the north side of Racine Road and therefore, the parking regulation change is recommended.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No. 1: Map