

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Keele Street – Turning Restriction Amendments

Date:	August 15, 2007
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 12 – York South-Weston
Reference Number:	p:\2007\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc070135-to - AFS5771

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to respond to a request of extending the hours of operation of the existing turn prohibitions on Keele Street, north of Lawrence Avenue West at North Park Drive, Quinan Drive and Quinan Drive/Wyndale Drive.

As Keele Street is a transit route, this matter requires the approval of City Council. Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) staff have been advised of the issue and have not objected to the recommendations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that City Council:

- 1. Approve the existing westbound right turn prohibition on North Park Drive at Keele Street operating from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday, be extended to operate from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday;
- 2. Approve the existing westbound right turn prohibition on Quinan Drive at Keele Street operating from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday, be extended to operate from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday;
- 3. Approve the existing southbound left turn prohibition on Keele Street at North Park Drive operating from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Monday to Friday, be extended to operate from 6:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., Monday to Friday; and
- 4. Approve the existing southbound left turn prohibition on Keele Street at Quinan Drive/Wyndale Drive operating from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Monday to Friday, be extended to operate from 6:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., Monday to Friday;

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$1,600.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Councillor Frank Di Giorgio, Ward 12, York South-Weston, on behalf of area residents of North Park Drive and Quinan Drive, requested Transportation staff to determine the feasibility of extending the existing turn prohibitions to and from Keele Street, north of Lawrence Avenue West.

COMMENTS

Keele Street between Quinan Drive and North Park Drive is a major arterial roadway with speed limits of 60 km/h. Quinan Drive and North Park Drive are both local roadways with speed limits of 40 km/h.

The existing turn prohibitions, as indicated on the attached sketch EY07-216, were implemented as a result of southbound to eastbound morning peak hour motorists on Keele Street by-passing the intersection of Lawrence Avenue West and Keele Street by turning onto either Quinan Drive or North Park Drive, proceeding to Duval Drive to access eastbound Lawrence Avenue West. Conversely, during the afternoon peak periods, westbound motorists on Lawrence Avenue West use Duval Drive to access Quinan Drive and North Park Drive to access Keele Street northbound by-passing the intersection of Keele Street and Lawrence Avenue West.

In order to further mitigate resident concerns of neighbourhood infiltration in this vicinity, the southbound left turn prohibitions from Keele Street onto either Quinan Drive or North Park Drive could be restricted from 6:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., Monday to Friday, and northbound right turns from either Quinan Drive or North Park Drive onto Keele Street could be restricted from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday to Friday.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No. 1: Map