



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

**Kipling Avenue and Ramp from Westbound
Dundas Street West to Northbound Kipling Avenue –
Introduction of Stop Control**

Date:	October 9, 2007
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 5 – Etobicoke-Lakeshore
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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 propose the changing of the yield to a stop control at the east approach of the intersection of Kipling Avenue and the ramp from westbound Dundas Street West to northbound Kipling Avenue.

The proposed change in traffic control will address the issue of pedestrian safety.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that the Etobicoke York Community Council:

1. Approve the installation of a stop control at the east approach of the intersection of Kipling Avenue and the ramp from westbound Dundas Street West to northbound Kipling Avenue.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$100.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services received a request from the office of Councillor Peter Milczyn, on behalf of an area resident, for staff to determine the need to change the yield to a stop control at the east approach of the intersection of Kipling Avenue and the ramp from westbound Dundas Street West to northbound Kipling Avenue. A map of the area is Attachment No. 1.

COMMENTS

Kipling Avenue, in the area of the ramp from westbound Dundas Street West to northbound Kipling Avenue, is a four-lane major arterial roadway. There are sidewalks on both sides of the road. A yield sign currently controls traffic at the east approach of the intersection of Kipling Avenue and the ramp from westbound Dundas Street West to northbound Kipling Avenue.

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

A Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) stop is located on the east side of Kipling Avenue, just south of the ramp from westbound Dundas Street West to northbound Kipling Avenue.

The daily traffic volume on the ramp is approximately 1,300 vehicles per day. The northbound traffic volume on Kipling Avenue, in the area of the ramp, is approximately 13,000 vehicles per day.

Staff observations revealed that a moderate number of pedestrians walk on the east side of Kipling Avenue and cross the east approach of the intersection of Kipling Avenue and the off-ramp from westbound Dundas Street West to northbound Kipling Avenue. Many of the crossings are generated by the TTC bus stop located south of this ramp. A new townhouse complex on the east side of Kipling Avenue, just north the ramp, has resulted in an increase in pedestrian traffic in this area.

Based on the aforementioned, staff recommends that the current yield sign be replaced by a stop sign at the east approach of the intersection of Kipling Avenue and the ramp from westbound Dundas Street West to northbound Kipling Avenue. A stop sign is a more appropriate traffic control device for this location given the increase in pedestrian movements across the east approach of this intersection.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No. 1: Map