



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Bannerman Street – Amendments to Traffic Regulations

Date:	October 29, 2007
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services and Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 12 - York South-Weston
Reference Number:	p:\2007\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc070187-to – AFS6396

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 northbound traffic operation on Bannerman Street.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommend that:

1. The City Clerk conduct a poll of residents in English, Italian and Portuguese on Bannerman Street between Rustic Road and Grovedale Avenue to determine whether residents support a one-way northbound operation, and subject to favourable results of the poll, a one-way northbound regulation be implemented on Bannerman Street between Rustic Road and Grovedale Avenue;

Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$800.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Councillor Frank Di Giorgio, on behalf of St. Fidelis School, requested Transportation Services staff to investigate the feasibility of introducing a one-way northbound operation on Bannerman Street between Rustic Road and Grovedale Avenue to alleviate concerns of congestion and delays during pick-up and drop-off times fronting St. Fidelis School.

COMMENTS

Bannerman Street is a two-way north-south local roadway that terminates at its southerly limit to form a “T” type intersection with Rustic Road and at its northerly limit with Grovedale Avenue. The pavement width is 8.5 metres with a posted speed limit of 40 km/h. Stopping is prohibited from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the west side of the street and on the east side from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. Parking is allowed for a maximum period of three hours at all other times.

A review of the Toronto Police Services’ collision records, over a three-year period ending December 31, 2006, did not reveal any collisions on Bannerman Street between Rustic Road and Grovedale Avenue.

Our observations indicate that parents are parking illegally on both sides of the street while dropping off and picking up their children at the school. In addition, parents are making mid-block U-turns in the section fronting the school. This results in congestion and potential blockage of the roadway. Changing the operation of the street to a one-way northbound direction can better control the on-street activities of parents fronting the school on Bannerman Street and alleviate traffic congestion and unsafe U-turns.

Since the change in operation of Bannerman Street from two-way to one-way northbound, between Rustic Road and Grovedale Avenue would impact the residents of Bannerman Street between Rustic Road and Grovedale Avenue, it is necessary to obtain their concurrence with this proposal by means of an official poll.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No 1: Map