



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

**Stopping Prohibitions and Southbound Right Turn Lane
Designation: Alness Street/Champagne Drive at Finch
Avenue West**

Date:	December 18, 2006
To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, North York District
Wards:	Ward 8 - York West
Reference Number:	p:\2007\ClusterB\TRA\NorthYork\nycc06007tsny

SUMMARY

To obtain approval to implement parking prohibitions on the west side of Champagne Drive south of Finch Avenue West; stopping prohibitions on the west side of Alness Street north of Finch Avenue West and to designate a southbound right-turn lane at Alness Street and Finch Avenue West.

The installation of parking and stopping prohibitions and the designation of a southbound right-turn lane will result in operational improvements at this location.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, North York District recommends that:

1. Schedule IX of By-Law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended to delete the No Stopping 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, prohibitions on the west side of Alness Street from the northerly limit of Finch Avenue West to a point 91 metres north of the northerly limit of Finch Avenue;
2. Schedule IX of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended to prohibit stopping at any time on the west side of Alness Street from the northerly limit of Finch Avenue West to a point 156 metres northerly thereof;

3. Schedule VIII of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended to prohibit parking at any time on the west side of Champagne Drive from the southerly limit of Finch Avenue West to a point 97 metres southerly thereof;
4. the westerly southbound lane on Alness Street, north of Finch Avenue West, be designated for right turning vehicles only, buses excepted, from the northerly limit of Finch Avenue West to a point 30.5 metres northerly thereof; and
5. the appropriate City officials be directed to take whatever action is necessary to give effect to the foregoing, including the introduction in Council of any Bills that are required.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with the installation of the parking and stopping prohibitions and the lane designation are included within the Transportation Services, North York District's 2007 Operating Budget estimates.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Transportation Services Division, North York District, was requested by former Councillor Peter Li Preti to review the feasibility of amending the parking and stopping prohibitions on the west side of Alness Street, north of Finch Avenue West and on the west side of Champagne Drive south of Finch Avenue West. In addition, Councillor Li Preti requested a review of the feasibility of designating the southbound curb lane for right-turns only.

COMMENTS

Our investigation has verified that southbound traffic on Alness Street and Champagne Drive becomes congested when vehicles are parked/stopped on the west side of Alness Street or Champagne Drive. In addition, in order to reduce the potential for vehicle conflicts south of the intersection caused by southbound dual-lane through movements, the southbound curb lane on Alness Street, north of Finch Avenue West should be designated for right-turns only.

Former Councillor Peter Li Preti has indicated his support for the recommendations contained within this report.

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ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment 1: Location Map: Alness Street/ Champagne Drive at Finch Avenue West
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- Attachment 2: Pavement Marking Diagram (nycc06007tsny_diagram)