



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Westbound Right-Turn-on-Red Prohibition: Vaughan Road at Oakwood Avenue

Date:	June 5, 2007
To:	North York Community Council
From:	Acting Director, Transportation Services, North York District
Wards:	Ward 15- Eglinton Lawrence
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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that the Community Council has delegated authority to make a final decision (provided that it is not amended so that it varies with City policy or by-law).

To obtain approval to prohibit westbound right-turns-on-red on Vaughan Road at Oakwood Avenue.

The implementation of the westbound right-turn-on-red prohibition will minimize conflicts between vehicles and pedestrians traffic at this intersection.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, North York District recommends that:

1. westbound right-turns-on-red be prohibited at anytime on Vaughan Road at Oakwood Avenue, and;
2. the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take whatever action deemed necessary to implement the foregoing including the introduction in Council of any bills that are required.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with the implementation of the westbound right-turn-on-red prohibition are included within the Transportation Services Division, North York District's 2007 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Transportation Services Division, North York District was requested by Councillor Howard Moscoe, on behalf of local residents, to review conflicts between pedestrians and westbound motorists making right turns on a red signal indication at the intersection of Vaughan Road and Oakwood Avenue.

COMMENTS

The intersection of Vaughan Road and Oakwood Avenue is controlled by traffic control signals. The westbound approach consists of a dedicated right turn lane and a shared through and left turn lane.

Observations at the intersection of Vaughan Road and Oakwood Avenue indicate that westbound motorists turning right on the east-west red indication frequently do not come to a complete stop at the stop bar before completing the right turn manoeuvre. Observations also indicate that westbound right-turning motorists experience restricted sightlines of northbound traffic due to a transit shelter located on the southeast corner of the intersection. As a result, motorists encroach into the crosswalk area before checking for pedestrians attempting to cross. This practice is in conflict with pedestrians crossing within the right-of-way and presents a hazard.

A review of the collision history over a five-year period ending December 31, 2006, indicates that there has been one reported incident at this location involving a westbound motorist attempting a right-turn-on-red and colliding with a pedestrian.

Councillor Howard Moscoe has indicated his support for the recommendations of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: Map: Vaughan Road and Oakwood Avenue; Prohibited Right-Turn-On-Red (nycc07056tsny_att1)