

**Proposed Parking Regulations on the North Side of  
McNicoll Avenue between Birchmount Road and  
Pharmacy Avenue**

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<b>To:</b>	Scarborough Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 39 – Scarborough-Agincourt
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**SUMMARY**

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This report responds to a concern about a parking problem along McNicoll Avenue between Birchmount Road and Pharmacy Avenue during Warden Park soccer events. Staff reviewed this road section during a weekend when a soccer tournament was being held and recorded a traffic safety concern on McNicoll Avenue in the neighbourhoods of Huntmill Park and Fundy Bay Park.

It is recommended that the “No Parking Anytime” signs be installed on the north side of McNicoll Avenue between Birchmount Road and Pharmacy Avenue to help ensure that pedestrians do not cross between parked vehicles during Warden Park tournaments.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

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**Transportation Services, Scarborough District, recommends that:**

1. The “No Parking” regulation, as identified in the Appendix 1 of this report, be adopted.
2. The appropriate by-law be amended.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT SUMMARY**

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The financial cost of installing these stop controls is approximately \$4,000.00. Funding for these stop controls is available in the Transportation Services 2007 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0226.

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer have reviewed this report and agree with the financial impact information.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

Further to a concern about a parking problem raised by Councillor Mike Del Grande, Transportation Services staff investigated the parking situation on McNicoll Avenue east of Warden Avenue. Specifically, Councillor Del Grande expressed concerns that when a soccer tournament is held at Warden Park on a summer weekend, motorists park on both sides of McNicoll Avenue, resulting in a safety hazard.

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Parking prohibitions in the City of Toronto are recommended and adopted by Council on an “as needed basis”.

## **COMMENTS**

Several factors describing the subject portion of McNicoll Avenue include:

- Land uses on McNicoll Avenue in the vicinity of Warden Park consist of a Hydro right-of-way on the south side and reverse residential frontages on the north side.
- This portion of McNicoll Avenue is a four-lane east-west minor arterial road with a signed speed limit of 50 kilometres per hour.
- Three hour permitted parking is currently permitted on both sides of McNicoll Avenue at Warden Park.
- South of McNicoll Avenue on Warden Avenue parking is prohibited on both sides.
- During soccer tournament events, the parking lot of Warden Park and the north parking lot of L'Amoreaux Collegiate Institute were filled to capacity.
- If the proposed parking prohibition is adopted, some parking may be displaced onto local roads during future summer soccer tournaments.

A parking study was conducted on the subject section of McNicoll Avenue during a weekend when a soccer tournament was being held at Warden Park. The results of this staff study showed that when the parking lots at Warden Park and L'Amoreaux Collegiate Institute were filled to capacity, motorists attending the tournament parked on both sides of McNicoll Avenue. This created a safety hazard as pedestrians were crossing McNicoll Avenue between parked vehicles.

There is no apparent existing demand for on-street parking on McNicoll Avenue in this area except on summer weekends for soccer tournaments. Therefore, to improve traffic safety in this area, it would be prudent to prohibit parking on the north side of McNicoll Avenue from Birchmount Road to Pharmacy Avenue.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Appendix 1 – By-law Amendment (enact)
2. Location Plan (Proposed Parking Prohibition – McNicoll Avenue, north side between Birchmount Road and Pharmacy Avenue)

Appendix 1

“No Parking”  
Regulation to be Enacted

<u>Column 1</u> <u>Highway</u>	<u>Column 2</u> <u>Side</u>	<u>Column 3</u> <u>From</u>	<u>Column 4</u> <u>To</u>	<u>Column 5</u> <u>Times or Days</u>
McNicoll Avenue	North	Birchmount Road	Pharmacy Avenue	Anytime