



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

**Stopping and Parking Regulations
on Generation Boulevard at
Chief Dan George Public School**

Date:	August 21, 2007
To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 44 – Scarborough East
Reference Number:	P:\2005\Cluster B\TRA\Scarborough\sc07050 D05-0393 Generation Parking Changes

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which the Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

This “housekeeping report” on Generation Boulevard details the minor on-street stopping and parking regulation changes made to enhance both traffic safety and flow in front of Chief Dan George Public School. The “school side” parking and “opposite side” no stopping regulations outlined in this report are consistent with those found at many other school zones in the Scarborough District.

Council’s approval of the supporting regulations will enhance traffic safety at this location and allow the existing signs to be enforced by the Toronto Police Service.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, Scarborough District, recommends that Scarborough Community Council:

1. Rescind the stopping regulations on Generation Boulevard, as identified in Appendix 1 of this report,
2. Adopt the stopping regulations on Generation Boulevard, as identified in Appendix 2 of this report,

3. Adopt the parking regulations on Generation Boulevard, as identified in Appendix 3 of this report, and
4. Amend the appropriate by-laws accordingly.

Financial Impact

There is no further financial impact associated with this report, as the signs were already installed in 2006.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Further to a request from the previous Ward Councillor regarding traffic safety concerns on Generation Boulevard, Transportation Services staff reviewed the feasibility of altering the parking regulations along this street to “school side” parking, and “opposite side” no stopping, prior to the 2006 summer opening of a splash pad/pool to the southwest of Chief Dan George Public School. As a result of this review, parking/stopping signs were proactively amended in this vicinity to address an immediate safety concern at the time.

COMMENTS

The following characteristics describe Generation Boulevard:

- This road is located in the northeast quadrant of Meadowvale Road and Highway 401.
- Generation Boulevard is a two-lane, collector roadway with a posted speed limit of 40 km/h and an approximate daily traffic volume of 3,000 vehicles per day.
- This road has a pavement width of 8.6 metres with sidewalks on both sides.
- The current no parking/no stopping signs were installed prior to the opening of the splash pad/pool in the summer of 2006.
- Consultation with school officials in the autumn of 2006 revealed that no complaints have been expressed from the teaching staff of Chief Dan George Public School regarding the revised parking regulations.

Parking Observations

Prior to altering the on-street parking signs, Transportation Services staff conducted an on-street parking study during a typical weekday at peak school activity times. As a result, it was determined that the previous parking regulation of “school side and opposite side” no stopping, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, was too restrictive and resulted in poor compliance. It was also suggested that the school bus loading zone be shifted slightly to better align with the existing school walkways.

Although vehicular volumes on Generation Boulevard, next to the school, were light and pedestrian crossings were made comfortably between large gaps in vehicular traffic, it was felt that restricting school/splash pad/pool destined traffic to the school side of this street will help to minimize random mid-block crossings of pedestrians and would

conform to the majority of parking regulations in front of other schools in the Scarborough District.

A review of the collision record on Generation Boulevard near Chief Dan George Public School reveals that during the past five years, from 2002 to 2006, there have been no reported pedestrian collisions or collisions involving excessive speeds as contributing factors.

In summary, when adopted the “housekeeping” nature of these stopping and parking regulations will make this school zone consistent with the traffic environment of many school areas, and will help to maintain sightlines for all road users at this location.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Appendix 1 – By-law Amendment (rescind)
2. Appendix 2 – By-law Amendment (enact)
3. Appendix 3 – By-law Amendment (enact)
4. Location Plan (Parking Regulations – Generation Boulevard)

Appendix 1

“No Stopping”
Regulation to be Rescinded

<u>Column 1 Highway</u>	<u>Column 2 Side</u>	<u>Column 3 From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Column 4 Times or Days</u>
Generation Boulevard	Both	85m north of the south limit of Generation Boulevard	55m further north	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday
Generation Boulevard	Both	The south limit of Generation Boulevard	15m further north	Anytime

Appendix 2

“No Stopping”
Regulation to be Enacted

<u>Column 1 Highway</u>	<u>Column 2 Side</u>	<u>Column 3 From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Column 4 Times or Days</u>
Generation Boulevard	North and East	180m south of the south curb of Rainbow Ridge Avenue	the south limit of Generation Boulevard	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday

Appendix 3

“Parking for Restricted Periods”
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>To</u>	<u>Column 4</u> <u>Times or Days</u>	<u>Column 5</u> <u>Maximum</u> <u>Period</u> <u>Permit</u>
Generation Boulevard	South and West	192m south of the south curb of Rainbow Ridge Avenue	the south limit of Generation Boulevard	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday	30 minutes