
Hazelton Avenue and Davenport Road - northbound left turn prohibition

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To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Toronto Centre–Rosedale, Ward 27
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SUMMARY

This report requests Council's authority to prohibit left turns during rush hour periods by northbound traffic from Hazelton Avenue onto Davenport Road. This will comply with the stipulations of the Site Plan Undertaking (#32585001), issued on August 2, 2006 for the development of 116 Yorkville Avenue.

Completion of the Hazelton Hotel & Residences (116 Yorkville Avenue) is anticipated shortly. Introducing the proposed turn prohibition will prevent the additional traffic generated by this development from increasing delays and traffic congestion on Hazelton Avenue.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Council:

1. prohibit northbound left turns from Hazelton Avenue onto Davenport Road from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact on the City. All costs to implement the left turn prohibition will be paid by the developer.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

We have received notification from a representative of the developer of the Hazelton Hotel & Residences that this project, on the corner of Yorkville Avenue and Hazelton Avenue, is nearing completion. As part of the development agreement, the developer was required to notify us about six months before occupancy of the building so that we

could report on prohibiting northbound left turns during rush hour periods at the intersection of Hazelton Avenue and Davenport Road, as required by the Site Plan Undertaking.

COMMENTS

Hazelton Avenue and Davenport Road form a T-type intersection. Hazelton Avenue operates one-way northbound from Yorkville Avenue to Davenport Road. The development at 116 Yorkville Avenue will increase traffic volume on Hazelton Avenue, resulting in a higher number of turns being made at the Davenport/Hazelton intersection.

Gaps in traffic flow along Davenport Road through which northbound left turns could be made from Hazelton Avenue onto Davenport Road occur infrequently during rush hour periods. This, combined with the increase in traffic volume that will occur on Hazelton Avenue, suggests queuing back from the intersection and increased delays to northbound traffic could occur during rush hour periods.

To resolve this matter, we recommended during the development review phase that northbound left turns be prohibited from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday. Residents of Hazelton Avenue might consider this to be an inconvenience. However, this left-turn prohibition is required as part of the agreement between the City and the developer to enhance safety and reduce delays to northbound motorists at the intersection of Hazelton Avenue and Davenport Road.

Councillor Kyle Rae was notified in 2003 about the need for this turn prohibition.

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