

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Continuing Thursday parking prohibition, various streets - Ward 21

Date:	March 12, 2007
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	St. Paul's, Ward 21
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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter which Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision. Transportation Services is requesting approval from Toronto and East York Community Council to continue the program of Thursday parking prohibitions, commencing April 1st through to November 30th, which was introduced as a pilot in 2006, to enhance mechanical street cleaning operations, within the area bounded by St. Clair Avenue West to the north, Winona Drive to the west, Davenport Road to the south and Bathurst Street to the east.

Thursday parking prohibitions benefit residents by allowing the City's street cleaning services to provide a planned and scheduled service on both sides of a street in keeping with the City's clean and beautiful initiative.

RECOMMENDATION

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. prohibit parking each Thursday, from April 1st to November 30th, at the locations described in Schedule "A" attached to this report in order to facilitate mechanical street sweeping operations.

Financial Impact

The adoption of the above-noted recommendation will not result in any financial impact.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

City Council, at its meeting of May 23, 24 and 25, 2006, in adopting Clause No. 47 contained in Report No. 4 of the Toronto and East York Community Council, approved the implementation of a trial programme to prohibit parking, each Thursday, from April 1st to November 30th, 2006, on a number of streets within the area bounded by St. Clair Avenue West to the north, Winona Drive to the west, Davenport Road to the south and Bathurst Street to the east in Ward 21. The purpose of the pilot programme was to allow for mechanical street sweeping on the side of each street that normally would be used by residents for permit parking purposes. We are now reporting to Toronto and East York Community Council to continue this programme from April 1st to November 30th, between the limits with the exception of Wychwood Avenue, from Ellsworth Avenue to St. Clair Avenue West.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services at the request of, and in coordination with Councillor Joe Mihevc, undertook a one-year trial programme to enhance street cleaning operations in the residential area bounded by St. Clair Avenue West to the north, Winona Drive to the west, Davenport Road to the south and Bathurst Street to the east.

During the year, Councillor Mihevc and Transportation Services monitored this program to measure community acceptance. As the months progressed fewer complaints were received pertaining to non-compliance which was supported by actual field observations recording the number of illegally parked vehicles on each of the streets. However, Wychwood Avenue, between Ellsworth Avenue and St. Clair Avenue West provides parking for St. Clair Avenue West patrons on both sides of the street controlled by parking meters and should be discontinued from this program. Councillor Mihevc has now advised that the remaining residents are generally supportive of this project and has requested on their behalf that this program be continued.

We note that signage is in place in the field and accordingly there will be no further cost to provide this program on a permanent basis.

TTC service does not operate on any of the streets impacted by this report.

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ATTACHMENTS

- (1) Schedule "A"
- (2) Drawing No. 421F-8723, dated March 2007

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