



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Mathersfield Drive - Parking Regulations

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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 staff report is about a matter which Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision. Transportation Services is requesting Toronto and East York Community Council's authority to prohibit parking on various sections of Mathersfield Drive.

Allowing parking on only one side of the street will ensure that it is clear for two-way traffic and emergency access.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. prohibit parking at all times as follows:
 - a. on the east side of the westerly north/south branch of Mathersfield Drive, from Pricefield Road to the east/west branch of Mathersfield Drive;
 - b. on the south side of the east/west branch of Mathersfield Drive, from the westerly north/south branch of Mathersfield Drive to the easterly north/south branch of Mathersfield Drive;
 - c. on the west side of the easterly north/south branch of Mathersfield Drive, from the north end of the street to the east/west branch of Mathersfield Drive; and

- d. on the north side of the east/west branch of Mathersfield Drive, from the public lane beside Premises No. 38 to a point 9 metres south of the east/west branch, on the west side of the westerly north/south branch of Mathersfield Drive.

Financial Impact

All costs associated with the installation of parking signs on Mathersfield Road are the responsibility of the developer. There is no cost to the City.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of Councillor Kyle Rae, we reviewed the need for parking regulations on Mathersfield Drive. Residents are concerned that parking on both sides of this new roadway blocks two-way traffic and may prevent emergency vehicle access to their homes.

COMMENTS

Roadway Characteristics

Mathersfield Drive, from Pricefield Road to its north end:

- is an unassumed local public road;
- has a pavement width of approximately 8.5 meters;
- has two-way traffic flow; and
- has a speed limit of 50 km/h.

From Pricefield Road, Mathersfield Road runs north, then east, then north again, ending in a cul-de-sac. This street is dedicated as a public road under the terms of the South Rosedale Subdivision Agreement, registered in 1996. There are over 40 homes in this subdivision, all of which are fully occupied. The City provides garbage collection and street cleaning services for these properties.

Investigation Findings

With the exception of the “No Parking Anytime” regulations that apply within 3 metres of a fire hydrant and within 9 metres of an intersection, parking is allowed at all times on both sides of Mathersfield Drive.

Mathersfield Drive is too narrow to safely allow parking on both sides of the street with two-way traffic. This condition worsens in winter months with the accumulation of snow. We observed parking on both sides of the street, but mostly on the north side of the east/west branch where there are no driveways.

Transportation Services proposes to prohibit parking on one side of the street as shown on the attached print of Drawing No. 421F-8691, dated February 2007. Parking will be allowed elsewhere on the street for the maximum period of three hours. These changes will ensure that the road is clear for two-way traffic and City services.

The developer is responsible for the cost of installing signs on Mathersfield Drive until such time as the road is assumed by by-law.

Caveat

Our action of implementing parking regulations on Mathersfield Drive is in the interest of public safety and should not be deemed an assumption of this road for repair and maintenance purposes. There is no intention of assuming Mathersfield Road prior to full compliance with the terms and conditions of the subdivision agreement.

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