



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Poynter Drive - Parking Regulation Amendments

Date:	January 12, 2008
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 4 – Etobicoke Centre
Reference Number:	p:\2008\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc080015-to

SUMMARY

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

The purpose of this report is to propose the installation of a “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” regulation to replace the “No Stopping, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” regulation that currently exists on the south side of Poynter Drive, abutting Westway Public School.

It is appropriate to install a “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” regulation on the south side of Poynter Drive abutting the school to provide an area for motorists to stop to drop-off and pick-up children, however, not to allow parking in the area. The principal of the school has been advised of these recommendations. These regulations are more consistent with the school side parking/opposite side No Stopping regulations at most schools.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

1. Rescinding the existing “No Stopping, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” prohibition on the south side of Poynter Drive between Stapleton Drive and a point 120.5 m west thereof;
2. Rescinding the existing “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” prohibition on the south side of Poynter Drive between a point 140.0 m west of Stapleton Drive to a point 83.0 m west thereof; and

3. Enacting a “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” prohibition on the south side of Poynter Drive between Stapleton Drive and a point 214.0 metres west thereof.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$500.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

We initiated this investigation as a result of a request of Area Supervisor Russ Crilly, Toronto Police Service, Parking Enforcement Unit who requested that we replace missing parking regulation signs near the school. Staff examined the parking regulation signs and found some discrepancies between the existing posted regulations and the existing by-law. As a result, staff conducted a study to determine where motorists are parking on Poynter Drive in the morning and afternoon drop-off and pick-up times. A map of the area is Attachment No. 1.

COMMENTS

Poynter Drive is located in the residential community to the south of Dixon Road and to the west of Islington Avenue. Right-of-way is currently controlled within the intersection of Poynter Drive and Stapleton Drive by an all-way stop. Westway Junior School is located on the southwest corner of this intersection. Poynter Drive is constructed to urban standards including curb, gutter and sidewalks on both sides of the street. The speed limit in the subject area is 40 km/h. Appropriate speed limit signs and school signage is posted in the area.

On Poynter Drive, stopping is prohibited on the north side of the street, opposite the school, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. On the south side of the road, abutting the school, a School Bus Loading Zone exists. Also, although many signs are missing, there are a few “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” signs posted along this side of the road. However, the actual by-law states that this area is to be signed as “No Stopping, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday”. Based on our observations, we feel a “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” regulation would be more appropriate on this side of the street. This would also be consistent with the regulations currently posted on Stapleton Road abutting the school.

The existing School Bus Loading Zone appears to be of an appropriate size and at an appropriate location. We are not recommending any amendments to this zone at this time.

Our review of the collision records between January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2006 indicates that there has been no reported collision on Poynter Drive or Stapleton Drive.

This report will amend the existing regulations such that we can install the appropriate parking signs on Poynter Drive that will encourage drop-off and pick-up on the school side only.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No. 1: Map