



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### Widdicombe Hill Boulevard - Parking Regulation Amendments

<b>Date:</b>	February 12, 2008
<b>To:</b>	Etobicoke York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 4 – Etobicoke Centre
<b>Reference Number:</b>	p:\2008\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc080029-to-AFS7182

#### 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 Anytime” regulation on either side of the main driveway to 73 Widdicombe Hill Boulevard. It is appropriate to install a parking prohibition in this area to improve sightlines for motorists exiting from the apartment complex at this location. Ample on-street parking will be retained in the area.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

1. Enacting a “No Parking Anytime” prohibition on the south side of Widdicombe Hill Boulevard between a point 200.0 metres north of Eglinton Avenue West and a point 45.0 metres east thereof.

#### Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$300.00

#### ISSUE BACKGROUND

We initiated this investigation as a result of a request from Councillor Gloria Lindsay Luby, Ward 4, Etobicoke Centre, on behalf of a resident of 73 Widdicombe Hill Boulevard who was concerned about sightlines exiting from the main apartment driveway when vehicles were parked in close proximity. A map of the area is Attachment No. 1.

## **COMMENTS**

Widdicombe Hill Boulevard is classified as “collector” roadway, in the residential community to the north of Eglinton Avenue West and west of Kipling Avenue. Near 73 Widdicombe Hill Boulevard, the road is a 19.6 meters wide divided road (two lanes, one in each direction); with a grass median island approximately 3.8 metres wide. Two driveways provide access to 73 Widdicombe Hill Boulevard, the easterly driveway being the main driveway with the westerly being a low volume service driveway. The road has a long curve starting approximately 70.0 metres north of Eglinton Avenue to the most easterly driveway of 73 Widdicombe Hill Boulevard.

Parking is prohibited from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the north side; from the west curb line of Denfield Street to a point 274.5 metres west thereof. The three hour unposted regulation applies to the south side, except in the area near the driveway to 63 Widdicombe Hill Boulevard at the all-way stop at Denfield Street where parking is prohibited. The current speed limit is 40 km/h.

A review of the collision history reveals, during the past three years for which we have complete data, January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2006, that there has been one reported collision involving a motorist exiting the main driveway from 73 Widdicombe Hill Boulevard.

Transportation Services staff visited this location on five separate occasions, between December 22, 2007 and January 8, 2008 during weekday mornings and during the afternoon. During this period, one or two vehicles were observed parked in the subject area on three separate occasions. When vehicles are parked on the south side of Widdicombe Hill Boulevard, in close proximity to the driveways to 73 Widdicombe Hill Boulevard, sightlines are reduced.

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment No. 1: Map