

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Riverstone Drive - Parking Regulation Amendments

Date:	May 1, 2008
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 2 – Etobicoke North
Reference Number:	p:\2008\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc080060-to - AFS7691

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 the west side of Riverstone Drive in front of No. 4 and No. 6 Riverstone Drive. It is appropriate to install a parking prohibition to prevent parking on both sides of this relatively narrow road and to ensure two-way travel in the area close to the intersection with Lawrence Avenue. On-street parking will be retained on the east side of the road and to the south of the proposed prohibition.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

1. Enacting a "No Parking Anytime" prohibition on the west side of Riverstone Drive between Lawrence Avenue and a point 41.0 metres south thereof.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$200.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Staff initiated this investigation as a result of a meeting with Councillor Rob Ford, Ward 2, Etobicoke North and the residents of No. 4 and No. 6 Riverstone Drive. The concern was with the narrow effective width of the road if vehicles were to park on both sides. This is of particular concern as it would occur near the corner of Lawrence Avenue. A map of the area is Attachment No. 1.

COMMENTS

Riverstone Drive is classified as "local" roadway, in the residential community to the southeast of Scarlett Road and Lawrence Avenue. Riverstone Drive is a short road, measuring 93.0 metres from Lawrence Avenue to the south limit of the road, where a barricade separates this road from Vista Humber Drive. The road is approximately 8.0 metres wide with no curbs. Fifteen metre corner parking prohibitions currently exist on both sides of the road at Lawrence Avenue.

A review of the collision history reveals, during the past five years for which we have complete data, January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2007, that there have been no reported collisions on Riverstone Drive.

Transportation Services staff visited this location on a number of occasions and on one occasion, observed a car parked on the east side of the road opposite No. 6 Riverstone Drive. While this area would be retained for on-street parking under this proposal, our concern is if a motorist was to park opposite this vehicle on the west side of the road, two-way passage would not be possible. This could lead to conflicts with motorists entering Riverstone Drive from Lawrence Avenue, a four lane minor arterial road, if they were to confront a motorist driving in the opposite direction. Both residents, who abut the area where this parking prohibition is proposed, support the installation of these signs.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No. 1: Map