

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Cove Drive – Parking Amendments

Date:	May 15, 2008	
То:	Etobicoke York Community Council	
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District	
Wards:	Ward 2 – Etobicoke-North	
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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which the 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 "Maximum 10 Minute Limit, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday" parking regulation on the west side of Cove Drive along the frontage of The Elms Junior Middle School.

This proposed regulation will give an area for parents wishing to accompany children into the school and attached day-care facility an area for short duration parking.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

- 1. Rescinding the existing "No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday" prohibition on both sides of Cove Drive between Golfdown Drive and a point 170.5 metres south thereof.
- 2. Enacting a "No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday" prohibition on the east side of Cove Drive between Golfdown Drive and a point 170.5 metres south thereof.
- 3. Enacting a "Maximum 10 Minute Limit, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday" parking restriction on the west side of Cove Drive from Golfdown Drive to a point 53.0 metres south thereof.

4. Enacting a "Maximum 10 Minute Limit, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday" parking restriction on the west side of Cove Drive from a point 98.0 metres south of Golfdown Drive to a point 72.0 metres south thereof.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$600.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services recently attended a meeting with the principal and staff of The Elms Junior Middle School. At this meeting, school staff requested that an area be created to accommodate parents wishing to park and accompany children into the school and attached day-care facility. During the meeting several options were discussed in order to accommodate these parents. It was concluded that the most appropriate scenario was to consider allowing parking for a maximum of 10 minutes between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the west side of Cove Drive along the school frontage. A map of the area is Attachment No. 1.

COMMENTS

The Elms Junior Middle School is located on the southwest corner of Golfdown Drive and Cove Drive. In addition to the school, a daycare facility (Centre for Early Childhood) and community centre with a pool are also located within the same property. Cove Drive and Golfdown Drive both have sidewalks on both sides with legal speed limits of 40 km/h. A school bus loading zone is located on the west side of Cove Drive immediately in front of the school. Parking is currently prohibited from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the both sides of Cove Drive between Golfdown Drive and a point 170.5 metres south thereof (south limit of the school property). Furthermore parking is prohibited on both sides of Golfdown Drive in the area of The Elms School.

Based on staff's examination of this matter, and consultation with the school staff, it is recommended that short duration parking (maximum 10 minutes) be allowed between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday on the west side of Cove Drive abutting the school property. This will provide a legal area for those parents who wish to park and walk their children into the school. The principal of the school is supportive of this recommendation and we have suggested that they encourage those parents wishing to walk their children into the school to use this area.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No. 1: Map