



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Hounslow Heath Road, between St. Clair Avenue West and a point 30.5 metres further south – Amendment to Parking Regulations

Date:	August 8, 2008
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 17 - Davenport
Reference Number:	p:\2008\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc08127-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 adjust the length of the existing “No Standing” regulation on the west side of Hounslow Heath Road, between St. Clair Avenue West and a point 30.5 metres further south.

The proposed parking amendment will address the parking concerns raised with respect to the shortage of on-street parking spaces on the west side of Hounslow Heath Road.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

1. Rescinding the current “No Standing” prohibition on the west side of Hounslow Heath Road, between St. Clair Avenue West and a point 30.5 metres further south.
2. Prohibiting “Standing” at all times on the west side of Hounslow Heath Road, between St. Clair Avenue West and a point 15.0 metres further south.

Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division Operating Budget	\$500.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Councillor Cesar Palacio, in consultation with Traffic Operations staff, as a result of an on-site meeting, requested Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District, to investigate the feasibility of decreasing the existing standing prohibition at all times along this section of roadway, in order to increase the on-street parking spaces on the west side of Hounslow Heath Road.

COMMENTS

Hounslow Heath Road, between St. Clair Avenue West and Spring Grove Avenue, is a local roadway with a width of 8.6 metres and an existing speed limit of 40 km/h. The intersection of Hounslow Heath Road, Silverthorn Avenue and St. Clair Avenue West is controlled by Traffic Signals.

Parking is currently prohibited at all times on the east and north sides of Hounslow Heath Road, between St. Clair Avenue West and Spring Grove Avenue. Standing is currently prohibited at all times on the west side of Hounslow Heath Road, between St. Clair Avenue West and a point 30.5 metres further south.

Parking is currently allowed for a maximum period of one hour from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday, on the west and south sides of Hounslow Heath Road, between a point 30.5 metres south of St. Clair Avenue West and Spring Grove Avenue. Permit parking is in effect from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. on the west and south sides of Hounslow Heath Road, between a point 30.5 metres south of St. Clair Avenue West and Spring Grove Avenue and parking is otherwise allowed for a maximum period of three hours.

Councillor Palacio has indicated that with on-site parking associated with the existing retail stores on this section of St. Clair Avenue West, there is a high demand for on-street parking in this vicinity. On-site observations have indicated that vehicles park illegally on the west side of Hounslow Heath Road just south of St. Clair Avenue West.

Based on staff examination of this matter, it is feasible to adjust the current “No Standing” regulation on the west side of Hounslow Heath Road, between St. Clair Avenue West and a point 30.5 metres further south and prohibit standing at all times on the west side of Hounslow Heath Road, between St. Clair Avenue West and a point 15.0 metres further south. This proposal would increase on-street parking by four additional parking spaces on this section of the street without compromising safety.

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ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment No. 1: Map - Existing Parking Regulations

Attachment No. 2: Map - Proposed Parking Regulations