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STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

School Zone Review: Mallow Road (La Citadelle Academy)

Date:	March 4, 2008	
То:	North York Community Council	
From:	Director, Transportation Services Division, North York District	
Wards:	Ward 34 – Don Valley East	
Reference Number:	p:\2008\ClusterB\TRA\NorthYork\ny08031	(7248)

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that the Community Council has delegated authority to make a final decision, provided that it is not amended so that it varies with the City policy or by-laws.

To obtain approval to amend the parking/stopping regulations on Mallow Road in the vicinity of La Citadelle Academy.

The amendments to the parking/stopping regulations on Mallow Road will address concerns related to student pick-up and drop-off activities in front of the school.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services Division, North York District recommends that:

- 1. Schedule IX of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended by deleting the No Stopping, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, prohibition on the south side of Mallow Road, from The Donway East to Thorn Lane;
- 2. Schedule IX of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended by installing a No Stopping, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, prohibition on the north side of Mallow Road, from The Donway East to Thorn Lane; and

3. Schedule IX of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended by installing a No Stopping, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, prohibition on the south side of Mallow Road, from The Donway East to a point 70 metres east thereof;

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with the amendments to the parking regulations on Mallow Road are included within the Transportation Services Division's 2008 Operating Budget estimates.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services Division, North York District, was requested by Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong, on behalf of parents and representatives of La Citadelle Academy, to review the feasibility of amending the parking/stopping restrictions on Mallow Road, in the vicinity of the school, in order to increase the level of safety for pedestrians and motorists during student pick-up and drop-off activities.

The parents and school administration are concerned that parking on the north side of Mallow Road, in front of the school, causes children to cross the road from between parked vehicles to access the school on the south side of the road.

COMMENTS

Mallow Road is classified as a local road with a posted speed limit of 40 km/h.

The current parking regulations on Mallow Road, in the vicinity of the school are as follows:

- Stopping is prohibited between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Mallow Road, from The Donway East to Thorn Lane; and
- Parking is permitted for periods of up to three hours, on the north side of Mallow Road.

Our observations indicate the current parking practices on Mallow Road create congestion and disruption of two-way traffic flow and place pedestrians at risk. Vehicles stopped on the side of the road opposite the school, causes children to cross the road from between parked vehicles.

In order to improve conditions, staff recommends the introduction of a "No Stopping, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday," zone on the north side of Mallow Road, opposite the frontage of the school, as well as the removal of the existing "No Stopping,

8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday," zone on the south side of Mallow Road, which by default would allow parking for periods of up to three hours.

The amendments to the parking/stopping regulations on Mallow Road will address concerns related to pick-up and drop-off activities in front of the school.

Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong has been advised of the recommendations contained within this report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: Map – Mallow Road; School Zone Revie(ny08031_map)