

Stopping Prohibitions: Blythwood Road

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To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Division, North York District
Wards:	Ward 25 – Don Valley West
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SUMMARY

To obtain approval to prohibit stopping on Blythwood Road, west of Bayview Avenue.

The implementation of stopping prohibitions on both sides of Blythwood Road, from Bayview Avenue to Daneswood Road, will address concerns regarding the safe flow of two-way traffic.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, North York District recommends that:

1. Schedule VIII of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended by deleting the parking prohibition on the north side of Blythwood Road, from the westerly limit of Bayview Avenue to the westerly limit of the former City of North York;
2. Schedule VIII of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended by deleting the parking prohibition on the south side of Blythwood Road, from a point 15 metres west of the westerly limit of Lauren Court to the westerly limit of Lot 1, R.P.M. 734;

3. Schedule VIII of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended by prohibiting parking at anytime on the south side of Blythwood Road, from the west limit of Daneswood Road to a point 65 metres westerly thereof;
4. Schedule VIII of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended by prohibiting parking at anytime on the north side of Blythwood Road, from the west limit of Daneswood Road to the west limit of the former City of North York;
5. Schedule IX of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended by deleting the stopping prohibition on the south side of Blythwood Road, from the westerly limit of Bayview Avenue to a point 15 metres west of the westerly limit of Lauren Court; and
6. Schedule IX of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended by prohibiting stopping at anytime on both sides of Blythwood Road, from the west limit of Bayview Avenue to the west limit of Daneswood Road.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with the installation of stopping prohibitions on Blythwood Avenue are included within the Transportation Services Division's 2008 Operating Budget estimates.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Transportation Services Division, North York District, has been requested by Councillor Clifford Jenkins on behalf of area residents to prohibit stopping on Blythwood Road, between Bayview Avenue and Daneswood Road.

COMMENTS

Blythwood Road is a two-lane collector road with a regulatory speed limit of 50 km/h. Although parking is prohibited at anytime on Blythwood Road, west of Bayview Avenue, motorists that display permits for parking for the disabled may park on the road for maximum periods of 24-hours.

Residents have indicated that several vehicles with disabled parking permits displayed are regularly parked on both sides of Blythwood Road, west of Bayview Avenue. It appears that the majority of the owners of the parked vehicles are patrons of Sunnybrook Hospital. When vehicles are parked on Blythwood Road traffic is often delayed and is forced to cross the centre line of the road. In addition, area residents have indicated that

when vehicles are parked on both sides of the road, access to private driveways is impeded and the safe and efficient flow of two-way traffic is restricted.

This division has verified the residents' concerns that vehicles parked on Blythwood Road restrict the safe flow of two-way traffic. Through traffic is often required to cross the centre line of the road to avoid parked vehicles. Delays to motorists caused by vehicles parked on Blythwood Road include buses, emergency service and special needs vehicles.

In view of the above, this division would support the installation of stopping prohibitions on both sides of Blythwood Road, from Bayview Avenue to Daneswood Road. The installation of stopping prohibitions on Blythwood Avenue will encourage patrons of Sunnybrook Hospital to utilize the on-site parking at the hospital.

Councillor Clifford Jenkins has been advised of the recommendation contained within this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: Map – Blythwood Road; Stopping Prohibitions (ny08035_map)