

Parking Regulations: Tolman Street

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To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Division, North York District
Wards:	Ward 23 - Willowdale
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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 City policy or by-laws.

To obtain approval to implement parking prohibitions on both sides of Tolman Street, from Yonge Street to Lorraine Drive.

The amendments to the parking regulations on Tolman Street, between Yonge Street and Lorraine Drive will address the residents' concerns regarding continuous long-term parking on the south side of the roadway.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services Division, North York District recommends that:

1. Schedule VIII of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended to delete the "No Parking Anytime" prohibition on the north side Tolman Street, from the westerly limit of Yonge Street to the easterly limit of Lorraine Drive; and
2. Schedule VIII of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended to implement a "No Parking Anytime" prohibition on both sides of Tolman Street, from Yonge Street to Lorraine Drive

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with the installation of the parking prohibitions are included within the Transportation Services Division's 2008 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services Division, North York District, was requested by Councillor John Fillion, on behalf of area residents, to prohibit parking on both sides of Tolman Street. The main concern of the residents is that the south side of the roadway is being used for long-term parking by commuters and employees of the adjacent commercial area.

COMMENTS

Currently, parking is permitted for a maximum period of up to three hours on the south side of Tolman Street and prohibited at all times on the north side the roadway. Pay and Display parking is provided on both sides of Yonge Street, north and south of Tolman Street.

Tolman Street is a two-lane local roadway, with a pavement width of 8.5 metres, bounded by Yonge Street on the east and Lorraine Drive on the west. Located on the south side of the roadway are high-rise residential condominiums with ground floor commercial units. The north side of the roadway is comprised of a large commercial plaza fronting onto Yonge Street and a high-rise residential condominium fronting onto Lorraine Drive.

The residents have indicated that commuters and employees of area businesses park on this section of roadway on a daily basis. Our observations confirmed that vehicles are indeed continually parked on the south side of Tolman Street for extended periods. Parking for the commercial plaza (Shoppers Drug Mart) is located off-street at the rear of the commercial buildings.

Staff developed the following four options in order to address the residents' concerns:

1. No Parking Anytime on the north side of the roadway and three hour parking on the south side of the roadway (existing);
2. No Parking Anytime on the north side of the roadway and No Parking, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the south side of the roadway;
3. No Parking Anytime on both sides of the roadway; and
4. No Parking Anytime on the north side of the roadway and One-Hour Permitted Parking from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the south side of the roadway

Area residents have informed Councillor Filion that they wish to have option 3 implemented.

Councillor Filion, the area residents and staff support the introduction of a “No Parking Anytime” prohibition on both sides of Tolman Street, from Yonge Street to Lorraine Drive.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – Tolman Street; Parking Regulations (ny08076_map1)

Attachment 2: Map – Tolman Street; Option 1 and 2 (ny08076_map2)

Attachment 3: Map – Tolman Street; Option 3 and 4 (ny08076_map3)