

Stopping Prohibitions: Alexis Boulevard

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To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Division, North York District
Wards:	Ward 10 – York Centre
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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 stopping prohibitions on Alexis Boulevard in order to prohibit stopping between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., and 3:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

The amendments to the stopping regulations on Alexis Boulevard between Gorman Park Road and the west limit of Alexis Boulevard, will discourage parking during the a.m. and p.m. pick-up and drop-off times associated with the Toronto Heschel School, while still maintaining on-street parking for the residents at all other times.

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 to prohibit stopping from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the both sides of Alexis Boulevard, from Gorman Park Road to the west limit of Alexis Boulevard.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with the amendments to the stopping regulations are included within the Transportation Services Division's 2008 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services Division, North York District, was requested by Councillor Michael Feldman on behalf of the local residents of Alexis Boulevard, between Gorman Park Road and the west limit, to review the feasibility of amending the stopping regulations on Alexis Boulevard.

Councillor Michael Feldman has distributed a petition to the residents of Alexis Boulevard regarding the possibility of prohibiting stopping from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the both sides of Alexis Boulevard, from Gorman Park Road to the west limit of Alexis Boulevard.

COMMENTS

Alexis Boulevard is a two-way local roadway with a municipal sidewalk on the south side of the roadway. Located at the west end of Alexis Boulevard is a playground associated with the Toronto Heschel School and walkway access to the property. Parking is currently permitted on both sides of the roadway for a maximum period of three hours.

Parents of the children attending the Toronto Heschel School, which is located on the east side of Faywood Boulevard, stop their vehicles on Alexis Boulevard. This parking/stopping activity results in two-way traffic flow being restricted. Additionally, access/egress to the residential driveways is impeded and motorist sight lines when exiting the driveways are restricted.

In view of the residents' concerns we conducted a "School Zone Review" on Alexis Boulevard. During our review, it was observed that between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., 27 vehicles were parked on Alexis Boulevard, between 150 and 170 Alexis Boulevard, on both sides of the roadway and within the cul-de-sac.

The results of the above-noted petition have indicated that of the 14 surveys that were sent out, eight responded in favour and three were not in favour of the proposed weekday a.m. and p.m. prohibitions. Accordingly, in view of the results of the petition and that the proposed stopping prohibitions would not adversely impact the area residents, Transportation Services is in support of the proposed amendments.

Councillor Michael Feldman has indicated his support to amend the stopping regulations as indicated above.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – Alexis Boulevard; Stopping Prohibitions (*ny08091_map*)