



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

**Stopping and Parking Regulations
on Windover Drive at Willow Park Junior Public School**

Date:	January 24, 2008
To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 43 – Scarborough East
Reference Number:	P:\2008\Cluster B\TRA\Scarborough\sc08012 D07-488 Windover Drive Parking Changes

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which the Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

This report on Windover Drive details the minor on-street stopping and parking regulation changes required to enhance both traffic safety and flow in front of Willow Park Junior Public School. The “school side” parking and “opposite side” no stopping regulations outlined in this report are consistent with those found at many other school zones in the Scarborough District.

Community Council’s approval of the stopping and parking regulations will enhance traffic safety at this location and allow enforcement by the Toronto Police Service.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, Scarborough District, recommends that Scarborough Community Council:

1. Rescind the stopping regulations on Windover Drive, as identified in Appendix 1 of this report,
2. Adopt the stopping and parking regulations on Windover Drive, as identified in Appendix 2 of this report, and
3. Amend the appropriate by-laws accordingly.

Financial Impact

The financial cost of installing the parking and stopping prohibitions recommended in this report is approximately \$1,500.00. The funding for these controls is available in the Transportation Services 2008 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0226.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Further to a request from the Councillor Paul Ainslie regarding traffic safety concerns on Windover Drive, Transportation Services staff reviewed the feasibility of altering the parking prohibitions along this street to “school side” parking, and “opposite side” no stopping regulations. Subsequently, the Councillor’s office consulted with the affected neighbours and a consensus was reached in support of these parking regulations.

COMMENTS

The following characteristics describe Windover Drive:

- This road is located south of Lawrence Avenue East and east of Scarborough Golf Club Road.
- Windover Drive is a two-lane, local roadway with a posted speed limit of 40 km/h and an approximate daily traffic volume of 500 vehicles per day.
- This road has a pavement width of 8.6 metres with sidewalks on both sides.

Parking Observations

Transportation Services staff conducted an on-street parking study during a typical weekday at peak school activity times. As a result, it was determined that parking regulations were required to encourage school side parking.

The vehicular volumes on Windover Drive near the school were relatively light and pedestrian crossings were made comfortably between large gaps in vehicular traffic. Providing school destined traffic an area to stop on the school side of this street will help to minimize random mid-block crossings of pedestrians, increase sight lines and would conform to the majority of parking regulations in front of other schools in the Scarborough District.

A review of the reported Toronto Police Service collision records on Windover Drive in the area of Willow Park Junior Public School reveals that during the past five years, from January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2006, there have been no reported pedestrian collisions.

There is currently a south side “No Stopping, Anytime” prohibition along Windover Drive, between Susan Street and a point approximately 200m to the west. This prohibition will be removed and the times of operation for this zone will be adjusted to be consistent with the new strategy as the “school side” parking only runs along the frontage of the school.

In summary, these stopping and parking regulations will make this school zone on Windover Drive consistent with the traffic environment of many school areas, will reduce pedestrian mid-block crossings and will help to maintain sightlines for all road users at this location.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Appendix 1 – By-law Amendment (rescind)
2. Appendix 2 – By-law Amendment (enact)
3. Location Plan (Parking Regulations – Windover Drive)

Appendix 1

“No Stopping”
Regulation to be Rescinded

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days
Windover Drive	South	Susan Street	195.20m west of Susan Street	Anytime

Appendix 2

“No Stopping”
Regulation to be Enacted

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days
Windover Drive	North	Susan Street	Shoredale Drive	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday

“Parking for Restricted Periods”
Regulation to be Enacted

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days	(In Column 5) Maximum Period Permit
Windover Drive	South	Susan Street	212m further to the west	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday	30 Minutes