



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Proposed Nightly No Heavy Truck Prohibition – Pharmacy Avenue between Sheppard Avenue East and McNicoll Avenue

Date:	April 10, 2008.
To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Wards 39 & 40 – Scarborough Agincourt
Reference Number:	P:\2008\Cluster B\TRA\Scarborough\sc08035 D08-2772257 Pharmacy Avenue Heavy Truck

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which the Community Council does not have delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

This report describes the need to install No Heavy Truck signs 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. on Pharmacy Avenue between Sheppard Avenue and McNicoll Avenue.

It is recommended that a nightly heavy truck prohibition be implemented on Pharmacy Avenue between Sheppard Avenue East and McNicoll Avenue for the protection of this residential area.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Adopt the “Heavy Truck Prohibition” regulations as identified in Appendix 1 of this report, and
2. Amend the appropriate by-laws accordingly.

Financial Impact

The financial cost of installing these No Heavy Truck prohibition signs is approximately \$4,000.00. Funding for these signs is available in the Transportation Services 2008 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0226.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Further to concerns raised by one of the ward councillors, Transportation Services staff reviewed the need to provide appropriate nightly truck prohibitions on the currently unregulated portions of Pharmacy Avenue that are primarily residential. The current regulations encompass Pharmacy Avenue from its south limits to Sheppard Avenue East but do not cover the residential area between Sheppard Avenue East and McNicoll Avenue. It should be noted that the area north of McNicoll Avenue consists of commercial and industrial facilities.

COMMENTS

The following characteristics describe the section of Pharmacy Avenue between Sheppard Avenue East and McNicoll Avenue:

- The land use of this portion of Pharmacy Avenue is residential.
- It is a four-lane minor arterial roadway with a pavement width of approximately 15.25 metres, a posted speed limit of 60 kilometres per hour and an approximate traffic volume of 16,000 vehicles per day.
- Sidewalks are located on both sides of this roadway.
- Pharmacy Avenue does not provide direct access to Highway 401, nor does it cross this major provincial expressway.

In conformity with our current practice, to discourage truck parking on residential streets during the night and to mitigate the noise of trucks, a heavy truck prohibition should be implemented on the subject roadways.

The adoption of the traffic by-law amendments identified in Appendix 1 of this report will allow for proper enforcement of the respective traffic signs under the Highway Traffic Act.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Appendix 1 – Heavy Truck Prohibition (enact)
2. Location Plan (Proposed No Heavy Truck Prohibition 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. – Pharmacy Avenue Between Sheppard Avenue East and McNicoll)

Appendix 1

“Heavy Truck Prohibition”
Regulation to be Enacted

<u>Column 1</u> <u>Highway</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>Column 2</u> <u>To</u>	<u>Column 3</u> <u>Times or Days</u>
Pharmacy Avenue	Sheppard Avenue East	McNicoll Avenue	7:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.