



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Proposed Disabled Parking Zone on the West Side of South Bonnington Avenue south of Aylesworth Avenue

Date:	April 10, 2008
To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 36 – Scarborough Southwest
Reference Number:	P:\2008\Cluster B\TRA\Scarborough\sc08036 D08- 2772234 Disabled Parking Zone on South Bonnington Avenue

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 responds to a concern about lack of a Disabled Parking zone in front of # 90 South Bonnington Avenue. Staff has confirmed the need for this disabled parking zone to facilitate vehicle parking, loading and unloading for the resident.

It is recommended that Transportation Services install “Disabled Parking Zone” signs on the west side of South Bonnington Avenue from a point 44 metres south of Aylesworth Avenue to a point 9 metres further south. This will assist the patrons in gaining access/egress to transportation services.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Enact the parking regulations, as identified in Appendix 1 of this report, and
2. Amend the appropriate by-law accordingly.

Financial Impact

The financial cost of installing these parking prohibition signs is approximately \$600.00. Funding for the signs is available in the Transportation Services 2008 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0226.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Further to a concern from an area resident raised through Councillor Brian Ashton about the lack of a disabled parking zone, Transportation Services staff investigated this issue at # 90 South Bonnington Avenue. Specifically, concerns were expressed about difficulties with parking, loading and unloading of disabled persons at this location.

Disabled parking prohibitions/regulations in the City of Toronto are recommended by city staff and adopted by Council on an “as needed” basis”.

COMMENTS

Several characteristics describing the subject portion of South Bonnington Avenue include:

- The land use on South Bonnington Avenue between Aylesworth Avenue and Willingdon Avenue is single family residential.
- South Bonnington Avenue is a two-lane north-south local road with an unposted speed limit of 50 kilometres per hour and an average daily traffic volume of approximately 400 vehicles per day.
- Default Parking (3 hour) is currently in place on the both sides of South Bonnington Avenue .
- Sidewalks are located on both sides of South Bonnington Avenue; however, the sidewalk on the west side terminates just south of the south side of Aylesworth Avenue.
- Although the residents have parking and garage facilities at the rear of their home, (accessible via Aylesworth Avenue), the lack of sidewalk on Aylesworth Avenue presents an accessibility barrier to those in a wheel chair.
- In order to enter the home, the resident has constructed an access ramp at the front and by providing a disabled parking area on the street, it will enable the resident to load and unload more conveniently.

We anticipate that the Disabled Parking Zone on South Bonnington Avenue would have a minimal negative impact for local residents and traffic operations.

South Bonnington Avenue is classified as a local road in the City's approved Road Classification System; as such, the authority to implement the proposed parking regulation has been delegated to Scarborough Community Council.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Appendix 1 – By-law Amendment (enact)
2. Location Plan – Proposed Disabled Parking Zone

Appendix 1

“No Parking”
Regulation to be Enacted

<u>Column 1</u> <u>Highway</u>	<u>Column 2</u> <u>Side</u>	<u>Column 3</u> <u>From</u>	<u>Column 4</u> <u>To</u>	<u>Column 5</u> <u>Times or Days</u>
South Bonnington Avenue	West	44 metres south of Aylesworth Avenue	9 metres further south	Anytime Except Disabled