



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Rawlinson Avenue – Parking Amendments

Date:	January 22, 2008
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	St. Paul's, Ward 22
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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter which Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision. Transportation Services is requesting approval to transfer parking from the east side to the west side of Rawlinson Avenue, between Roehampton Avenue and Broadway Avenue.

This change in parking operation will increase the potential number of parking spaces provided on this street.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. rescind the “One Hour Maximum, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.” parking regulation on the east side of Rawlinson Avenue, between Roehampton Avenue and Broadway Avenue;
2. rescind the “No Parking Anytime” regulation on the west side of Rawlinson Avenue, between Roehampton Avenue and Broadway Avenue;
3. rescind the “School Bus Loading Zone” regulation on the west side of Rawlinson Avenue, from a point 12 metres north of Roehampton Avenue, to a point 61 metres further north;
4. prohibit parking at all times on the east side of Rawlinson Avenue, between Roehampton Avenue and Broadway Avenue; and

5. restrict parking to a maximum of one hour, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., on the west side of Rawlinson Avenue, between Roehampton Avenue and Broadway Avenue.

Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Toronto Transportation Services 2008 operating budget interim appropriations	\$1,000

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services has reviewed a request from Councillor Michael Walker to transfer parking from the east side to the west side of Rawlinson Avenue, between Roehampton Avenue and Broadway Avenue, to increase the number of potential parking spaces on this street.

COMMENTS

Road Characteristics

Rawlinson Avenue, between Roehampton Avenue and Broadway Avenue is a two-way street with a pavement width of 8.5 metres and speed limit of 40 km/h. Parking is allowed on the east side of Rawlinson Avenue but is restricted to a maximum period of one hour, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily. Parking is allowed for a maximum period of three hours at other times. There is space for about 15 cars to park on the east side of the street.

A “School Bus Loading Zone” is authorized on the west side of Rawlinson Avenue, from a point 12 metres north of Roehampton Avenue to a point 61 metres further north. Parking is otherwise prohibited at all times on the west side, from Roehampton Avenue to Broadway Avenue.

Investigation

Fairfield Road intersects the east side of Rawlinson Avenue about mid-way between Roehampton Avenue and Broadway Avenue forming a T-type intersection. The width of the intersection coupled with the 9-metre corner parking prohibitions means there is about 25 metres less curb-space on the east side of Rawlinson Avenue compared to the west side of the street, along which vehicles may park. However, only 10 parking spaces are potentially available along the west side of Rawlinson Avenue if the “School Bus Loading Zone” is retained.

For residents of the neighbourhood to benefit from changing parking from one side of the street to the other, it is necessary to rescind the “School Bus Loading Zone” regulation. Staff has learned that Northern Secondary School no longer requires the school bus loading area and removing it will not adversely impact school operations.

Considering the above, removing the “School Bus Loading Zone”, transferring parking from the east side to the west side of Rawlinson Avenue, and prohibiting parking on the east side of the street, is recommended.

Implementation of these changes to parking operation on Rawlinson Avenue will result in an increase of 6 parking spaces on this street.

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