

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Logan Avenue - school zone

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To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Toronto –Danforth, Ward 30
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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 remove the school bus loading zone and extend the maximum 10-minute parking student pick-up/drop-off zone in front of Frankland Community School on Logan Avenue, south of Danforth Avenue. The operating times of the extended student pick-up/drop-off zone are to be modified to operate during the entire school day, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. The hours of permit parking operation on Logan Avenue, between Garnock Avenue and Danforth Avenue will need to be adjusted from 12:01 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. to 12:01 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. to avoid conflict with the 8:30 a.m. start time of the student pick-up/drop-off zone.

This change will provide additional curb side space for parents to pick-up and drop-off their children attending Frankland Community School. The recommendations also address certain redundent and conflicting existing entries in the by-law.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Rescind the school bus loading zone operating between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the west side of Logan Avenue from a point 69 metres south of Danforth Avenue to a point 27.8 metres further south.

- 2. Rescind the 10-minute maximum parking limit operating between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., and 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the west side of Logan Avenue from a point 50 metres south of Danforth Avenue to a point 19 metres further south.
- 3. Rescind the no parking regulation, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., except Saturday, Sunday, and Public Holidays, on the west side of Logan Avenue from a point 50 metres south of Danforth Avenue to a point 19 metres further south.
- 4. Rescind the no parking regulations in effect from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., except Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays, on the west side of Logan Avenue from a point 30.5 metres south of Danforth Avenue to a point 96.1 metres further south and in effect at all times from a point 96.8 metres south of Danforth Avenue to a point 18 metres further south.
- 5. Allow parking for a maximum period of 10-minutes between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday to Friday, on the west side of Logan Avenue from a point 50 metres south of Danforth Avenue to a point 38.2 metres further south (student pick-up/drop-off).
- 6. Prohibit parking on the west side of Logan Avenue from a point 88.2 metres south of Danforth Avenue to a point 26.6 metres further south.
- 7. Amend the permit parking regulations on the west side of Logan Avenue between Garnock Avenue and Danforth Avenue from 12:01 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., to 12:01 a.m. to 8:30 a.m..

Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Toronto Transportation Services 2008 operating budget interim appropriations	\$500.00

COMMENTS

Logan Avenue is a collector road operating one-way northbound between Gerrard Street East and Danforth Avenue. The Frankland Community School site, which includes a daycare and community centre, is located on the west side of Logan Avenue, approximately 50 metres south of Danforth Avenue in the block north of Garnock Avenue. The following parking regulations are in effect on Logan Avenue, between Garnock Avenue and Danforth Avenue:

East side

- no parking anytime.

West side

- no parking anytime from Danforth Avenue to a point 50 metres south;
- a student pick-up/drop-off zone operates from a point 50 metres south of Danforth Avenue to a point 19 metres further south, with a maximum 10-minute parking limit between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., and 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, with parking prohibited in the student pick-up and drop-off zone between 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., and 1:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday to Friday;
- a school bus loading zone operates from a point 69 metres south of Danforth Avenue to a point 27.8 metres further south between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday;
- parking is prohibited from a point 96.8 metres south of Danforth Avenue to a point 18 metres further south (school crosswalk and access driveway); and
- parking is otherwise allowed for a maximum period of three hours outside of the hours of permit parking operation between 12:01 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., daily.

The TTC does not operate transit service on this section of Logan Avenue.

The principal of Frankland Community School has advised the school does not have a regular bus service and additional parking space in front of the school is required for parents picking-up and dropping-off students. The principal has therefore requested that the school bus loading zone be removed and the student pick-up/drop-off zone be extended in its place. The extended pick-up/drop-off zone will provide parking for four additional vehicles, for a total of seven.

The principal has also requested that the operating time of the pick-up/drop-off zone, which currently operates only during the morning, noon, and afternoon arrival/dismissal times, be extended to operate during the entire school day, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, as the extended hours will better support the needs of the school.

The removal of the school bus loading zone and extension and modification of the operating hours of the student pick-up/drop-off is feasible, provided an amendment is made to the permit parking regulations on this section of Logan Avenue. More specifically, the 8:30 a.m. start time of the student pick-up/drop-off zone overlaps and conflicts with the 12:01 to 9:00 a.m. permit parking regulation on the west side of Logan Avenue. The overlap in operating times would require parents/motorists to display a parking permit in their vehicles when parked in the pick-up/drop-off zone before 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday.

To resolve the conflict between the operating times of the student pick-up/drop-off zone and permit parking hours, an amendment to the permit parking regulations is required.

The permit parking hours of operation on Logan Avenue, between Garnock Avenue and Danforth Avenue, should be amended to operate from 12:01 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., daily.

Extending the operating time of the 10-minute maximum parking limit to 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, as opposed to only during arrival and dismissal times, may encourage long-term parking within the pick-up drop-off zone. Danforth Avenue, located approximately 50 metres north of the school, has pay-and-display on-street parking. Patrons of area businesses may find it more attractive to park in front of the school in the student pick-up drop-off zone rather than pay to park on Danforth Avenue, especially during peak times when parking on Danforth Avenue is limited. Enhanced enforcement of the 10-minute parking limit may be required to discourage long-term parking.

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