

Alternate Side Parking – Browning Avenue

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To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Toronto-Danforth, Ward 29
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SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is seeking authority to amend the existing alternate side parking regulations on Browning Avenue, from a point 30.5 metres east of Broadview Avenue to Arundel Avenue. The introduction of the new hours of operation for alternate side parking will minimize the confusion for local residents on switchover days.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Rescind the “No Parking, from 8:00 a.m. of the 16th day of each month to 8:00 a.m. of the first day of the next month, inclusive, April 1 to December 1” regulation on the north side of Browning Avenue, from a point 30.5 metres east of Broadview Avenue to Arundel Avenue.
2. Rescind the “No Parking, from 8:00 a.m. of the first day of each month to 8:00 a.m. of the 16th day of each month, inclusive, April 1 to December 1” regulation on the south side of Browning Avenue, from a point 30.5 metres east of Broadview Avenue to Arundel Avenue.
3. Prohibit parking from the 16th day of each month to the last day of each month, inclusive, April 1 to December 1 on the north side of Browning Avenue, from a point 30.5 metres east of Broadview Avenue to Arundel Avenue.

4. Prohibit parking from the first day of each month to the 15th day of each month, inclusive, April 1 to December 1 on the south side of Browning Avenue, from a point 30.5 metres east of Broadview Avenue to Arundel Avenue.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division 2008 Operating Budget.	\$1300.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of Councillor Case Ootes on behalf of local residents, Transportation Services has investigated the feasibility of adjusting the time when parking alternates on Browning Avenue, from a point 30.5 metres east of Broadview Avenue to Arundel Avenue, to minimize the confusion for local residents on switchover days.

COMMENTS

Browning Avenue, from Broadview Avenue to Arundel Avenue, operates one-way eastbound with a pavement width of 8.5 metres. Speed humps are present on this street and the posted legal speed limit is 30 km/h. There is no TTC service on Browning Avenue.

The following regulations are currently in effect on this section of Browning Avenue:

Parking is prohibited on both sides of Browning Avenue, from Broadview Avenue to a point 30.5 metres east of Broadview Avenue;

Alternate side parking regulations:

North side:

- No Parking, from 8:00 a.m. of the 16th day of each month to 8:00 a.m. of the first day of the next month, inclusive, April 1 to December 1, from a point 30.5 metres east of Broadview Avenue to Arundel Avenue.

South side:

- No Parking, from 8:00 a.m. of the first day of each month to 8:00 a.m. of the 16th day of each month, inclusive, April 1 to December 1, from a point 30.5 metres east of Broadview Avenue to Arundel Avenue; and
- No Parking Anytime, from December 1 of one year to March 31 of the next following year, inclusive from a point 30.5 metres east of Broadview Avenue to Arundel Avenue.

Parking is otherwise allowed for a maximum period of three hours in conjunction with the alternate side parking stipulations.

The permit parking system is operating in this section of Browning Avenue.

On roadways with alternate side parking, on switchover days there is a “grace” period to enable residents to switch parking from one side of the street to the other. Currently on Browning Avenue, residents are required to switchover parking by 8:00 a.m. Typically, the Toronto Police Services Parking Enforcement Unit allows for a 12-hour grace period on streets with alternate side parking from 9:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. of the next day. Since the alternate side parking changeover times end at 8:00 a.m. on Browning Avenue, this allows only one hour for the switchover.

This report recommends amending the switchover times to midnight, which will provide residents with additional hours. The additional time for the switch will give residents ample opportunity to move their vehicles to the other side of the roadway and reduce the potential to receive parking violations.

Adjusting the time of the existing alternate side parking regulations on Browning Avenue, from Broadview Avenue to Arundel Avenue, to 12:01 a.m. will be consistent with alternate side parking regulations in most areas of Ward 29.

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