



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Student Pick-up/Drop-off Area – Kensington Community School

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To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Trinity-Spadina, Ward 20
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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 designate a student pick-up/drop-off area on the east side of Lippincott Street, adjacent to Kensington Community School (401 College Street).

The student pick-up/drop-off area will provide short-term parking opportunities for parents/ guardians to accompany students to/from Kensington Community School.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Rescind the “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m., Monday to Friday” regulation on the east side of Lippincott Street, between College Street and a point 88.4 metres further south.
2. Implement a “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” regulation on the east side of Lippincott Street, between a point 31.5 metres south of College Street and a point 89.5 metres further south.
3. Implement a “No Parking, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday to Friday” regulation on the east side of Lippincott Street, between a point 9.0 metres south of College Street and a point 22.5 metres further south.

4. Implement a “10-minute maximum parking, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” regulation on the east side of Lippincott Street, between a point 9.0 metres south of College Street and a point 22.5 metres further south.
5. Rescind the “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m., Monday to Friday” regulation on both sides of Lippincott Street, that operates between College Street and a point 88.4 metres further south.
6. Rescind the “No Parking Anytime, from December 1 of one year to March 31 of the following year, inclusive” regulation on the west side of Lippincott Street, between College Street and Nassau Street.

Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services 2008 Operating Budget	\$500.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services staff has investigated a request from Ms. Hana Maire, Principal of Kensington Community School, to identify a “Student Pick-up and Drop-off Area”, with short-term parking to assist parents picking up and dropping off children at the school.

COMMENTS

Existing Conditions

Kensington Community School (401 College Street) is located at the southeast corner of the intersection of College Street and Lippincott Street. Lippincott Street, south of College Street operates one-way northbound. A “Stop” sign is posted at College Street for northbound traffic. Lippincott Street is a local roadway with a speed limit of 40 km/h and a daily one-way traffic volume of approximately 400 vehicles. There is no TTC service provided on Lippincott Street. Parking is prohibited at all times on the west side of Lippincott Street. Parking is generally allowed on the east side of Lippincott Street, with the following restrictions, between College Street and Oxford Street:

- No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday; and
- No Parking, Except by Permit, 12:00 midnight to 7:00 a.m., daily.

There is presently no designated on-street or off-street area at Kensington Community School where parents can park for short periods to pick-up or drop-off children and/or accompany them into the school. Parents/guardians often park for short duration in lay-bys on the south side of College Street but often receive tickets if they do not purchase “time” from a parking machine controlling parking in this area.

Student Pick-up/Drop-off Area

This request has been investigated in conjunction with providing a “School Bus Loading Zone” (SBLZ) at Kensington Community School (subject of a separate report to Community Council requiring City Council approval). A lay-by on College Street in front of the school is being considered for the SBLZ.

Lippincott Street, south of College Street provides an option for identifying an area where parents/guardians can park/stop for a short time to pick-up/drop-off or accompany their children into the school. To satisfy the need of Kensington Community School, the student pick-up/drop-off area should provide:

- storage for a maximum of four to five vehicles at any given time;
- ten-minute parking during the weekday morning periods (7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday); and
- ten-minute parking during the weekday afternoon periods (3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday).

Resolution

Identifying a “Student Pick-up and Drop-off Area” on the east side of Lippincott Street, between a point 9.0 metres south of College Street and a point 22.5 metres further south and allowing parking for the requested time periods/durations is feasible and recommended. This proposal will not impact the hours of the permit parking operation. The current parking regulations will remain in effect outside the pick-up/drop-off periods. Approximately four spaces would be provided and the ten-minute duration will encourage vehicle turnover.

Additionally, the relatively circuitous route to reach this section of Lippincott Street due to the one-way regulations in the area should deter motorists shopping at businesses on College Street from using these spaces.

Additional consideration

During investigation of this matter, staff determined there are several redundant parking regulations listed in the traffic by-law related to Lippincott Street. Recommendations 1, 4, and 5 of this report serve to “housekeep” the by-law by eliminating these redundant entries.

Councillor Adam Vaughan has been consulted in this regard and has indicated to staff that he supports this proposal.

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