



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### Disabled persons' loading zone – No. 50 Carus Avenue

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| <b>Date:</b>             | September 17, 2008   |
| <b>To:</b>               | Toronto and East York Community Council                          |
| <b>From:</b>             | Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District |
| <b>Wards:</b>            | St. Paul's, Ward 21  |
| <b>Reference Number:</b> | Ts08161te.top.doc  |

#### SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval to establish a disabled persons' loading zone in front of No. 50 Carus Avenue. The loading zone will provide curb-side access for Wheel-Trans vehicles picking up or dropping off a disabled resident at that address. The loading zone is required on a daily basis and will not negatively impact resident parking permit holders.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

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**Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:**

1. Rescind the "No parking from the 16<sup>th</sup> day to the last day of each month, inclusive, April 1 to December 1" on the north side of Carus Avenue from Ossington Avenue to the east end of Carus Avenue.
2. Prohibit parking from the 16<sup>th</sup> day to the last day of each month, inclusive, April 1 to November 30 on the north side of Carus Avenue from Ossington Avenue to a point 68.5 metres east of Ossington Avenue and from a point 79.5 metres east of Ossington Avenue to the east end of Carus Avenue.
3. Amend the existing "No parking first day to the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each month, April 1 to December 1", on the south side of Carus Avenue, from Ossington Avenue to the east end, so as to prohibit parking from the 1<sup>st</sup> day to the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each month,

April 1 to November 30, inclusive, on the south side of Carus Avenue, from Ossington Avenue to the east end of Carus Avenue.

4. Approve the installation of a disabled persons' loading zone, operating on a daily basis on the north side of Carus Avenue, from a point 68.5 metres east of Ossington Avenue to a point 11.0 metres further east.

### Financial Impact

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

### COMMENTS

#### Current Conditions

Transportation Services has investigated establishing a disabled persons' loading zone for a resident at No. 50 Carus Avenue.

Carus Avenue is a local roadway operating two-way with a posted speed limit of 40km/h. On the north side of the street, parking is prohibited from the 16<sup>th</sup> day to the end of each month from April 1<sup>st</sup> to November 30<sup>th</sup>. Parking is allowed by permit only from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. daily, and is otherwise allowed for a maximum period of three hours, under the stipulations of the alternate side parking regulations.

On the south side of the street, parking is prohibited from the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each month from April 1<sup>st</sup> to November 30<sup>th</sup> and from December 1<sup>st</sup> of one year to March 31<sup>st</sup> of the next following year. Parking is allowed by permit only from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily, and is otherwise permitted for a maximum period of three hours, under the stipulations of the alternate side parking regulations.

Transportation Services has been advised that Wheel-Trans buses frequently experience difficulty accessing the curb fronting No. 50 Carus Avenue due to the presence of parked vehicles. When curb-side access is blocked by a parked vehicle, the bus must "double park" in front of the home, impeding the flow of vehicular traffic.

Wheel Trans Service has been requested on a 24/7 basis. To facilitate curb-side access, installation of an on-street loading zone for disabled persons in front of No. 50 Carus Avenue is recommended. The designated area could be used by any vehicle displaying a valid “Disabled/Accessible Parking Permit” while actively engaged in the process of picking up or dropping off a disabled person. A review of the permit parking records reveals that as of September 10, 2008, there have been 3 permits issued against 15 on-street permit parking spaces on Carus Avenue. In light of this, the introduction of the requested loading zone will not result in any undue negative impacts on the operation of the permit parking system.

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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