

Rescind Alternate Side Parking – Hillsdale Avenue East

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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 for which the Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services is seeking authority to rescind the existing alternate side parking regulations and allow parking to operate exclusively on the north side on Hillsdale Avenue East, between Mount Pleasant Road and Forman Avenue. Although rescinding the alternate side parking regulations will impact street cleaning, additional parking spaces will be available year-round.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Rescind the alternate side parking regulations and allow parking only on the north side on Hillsdale Avenue East, between Mount Pleasant Road and Forman Avenue.
2. Amend the parking regulations as outlined in Appendix A – Regulatory Changes, to implement the parking arrangement indicated in Recommendation 1.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division 2008 Operating Budget.	\$800.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of Councillor Michael Walker, on behalf of residents of Hillsdale Avenue East, staff investigated the feasibility of rescinding the alternate side parking regulations on Hillsdale Avenue East, between Mount Pleasant Road and Forman Avenue and implementing parking year-round on the north side.

COMMENTS

Hillsdale Avenue East, between Mount Pleasant Road and Forman Avenue, operates two-way on a pavement width of 8.5 metres and has a speed limit of 30 kilometres per hour (traffic calming measures installed). There is no TTC service on Hillsdale Avenue East.

Under the alternate side parking regulations, parking operates for a maximum period of one-hour from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, from the 16th day to the last day of each month, April 1 to November 30 and from December 1 to March 31 on the south side of the street, and from the 1st day to the 15th day of each month, April 1 to November 30, on the north side of the street.

Hillsdale Avenue East is located within permit parking Area 9A, where parking is allowed by permit only from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. A total of 23 parking spaces are available on the north side and 19 parking spaces are available on the south side of the street, with use allowed in conjunction with the alternate side parking provisions. Currently 25 parking permits have been issued to residents of Hillsdale Avenue East, between Mount Pleasant Road and Forman Avenue. The greater shortfall between permits and spaces that occurs when parking is allowed on the south side of the street will be reduced if parking is moved to the north side only.

A poll conducted by Councillor Michael Walker's office indicates the majority of the residents of Hillsdale Avenue East, between Mount Pleasant Road and Forman Avenue are in favour of having the alternate side parking regulations rescinded and parking allowed only on the north side of the road.

Allowing parking on the north side of the road only, will reduce incidences where motorists are ticketed for parking on the wrong side of the road on parking changeover days. However, rescinding the alternate side parking regulations will impact on the ability to mechanically sweep both sides of the street on a regular basis. This change will make cleaning of the north side of the street more difficult but will result in an increase in the number of parking spaces available year-round on Hillsdale Avenue East.

The amendments to the parking regulations required to implement the changes to the parking format on Hillsdale Avenue East, between Mount Pleasant Road and Forman Avenue are outlined in Appendix A – Regulatory Changes, attached to this report.

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