



# STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

## Disabled Persons' Loading Zone - Perth Avenue

<b>Date:</b>	October 29, 2008
<b>To:</b>	Toronto and East York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
<b>Wards:</b>	Davenport – Ward 18
<b>Reference Number:</b>	Ts08201te.top.doc

### SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval to establish a disabled persons' loading zone fronting No. 37 Perth 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 from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily and will result in the loss of one on-street parking during this period.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Approve installation of a disabled persons' loading zone operating, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily, on the east side of Perth Avenue, from a point 170 metres south of Bloor Street West to a point 7 metres further south.

### Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division 2008 Operating Budget	\$ 500

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Councillor Adam Giambrone has requested Transportation Services to investigate the feasibility of implementing a loading zone for a disabled resident in front of No. 37 Perth Avenue to facilitate pick-up/drop-off by Wheel-Trans buses of a disabled person living at this address.

## **COMMENTS**

Perth Avenue is a local roadway operating two-way with a posted speed limit of 40 km/h. Parking is allowed for a maximum of 1 hour, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the east side of Perth Avenue. Permit parking regulations apply from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily. Parking is otherwise allowed for a maximum period of 3 hours on the east side of Perth Avenue. Parking is prohibited at all times on the west side of the street. There is no TTC service on Perth Avenue.

Wheel-Trans buses frequently have difficulty pulling up at the curb in the vicinity of No. 37 Perth Avenue as a result of parked cars. When curb-side access is blocked by a parked vehicle, the bus must “double park” on the street, impeding the flow of traffic.

Wheel-Trans service is required by the disabled person between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., daily. To facilitate curb-side access, installation of loading zone for a disabled person in front of No. 37 Perth Avenue is recommended. The designated area could also be used during the 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. operational period by any vehicle displaying a valid “Disabled/Accessible Parking Permit” while actively engaged in picking-up or dropping-off a disabled person. Parking will be maintained outside of that time, including overnight parking by residents with valid parking permits. Although a parking space will be lost during daytime hours, this will not result in the loss of an overnight permit parking space.

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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