



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### Mariposa Avenue – Convert to Two-way Operation for a section north of St. Clair Avenue West

<b>Date:</b>	January 12, 2009
<b>To:</b>	Etobicoke York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 11 – York South-Weston
<b>Reference Number:</b>	p:\2009\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc090023-to

#### SUMMARY

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

The purpose of this report is to propose converting a short one-way southbound section of Mariposa Avenue, just north of St. Clair Avenue West, to two-way operation (between St. Clair Avenue West and a point 41 metres north).

The proposed two-way operation will improve access to the Service Station and Public Garage located at 2580 St. Clair Avenue West, and at the same time resolve the non-compliant and illegal northbound movements to Mariposa Avenue, from St. Clair Avenue West.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

**Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:**

1. Rescinding the existing one-way southbound operation on Mariposa Avenue, between Pritchard Avenue and St. Clair Avenue West.
2. Enacting a one-way southbound operation on Mariposa Avenue, between Pritchard Avenue and a point 41 metres north of St. Clair Avenue West.

#### Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division Operating Budget	\$2,000.00

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Councillor Frances Nunziata, on behalf of area businesses, requested Transportation Services staff to review the operation of Mariposa Avenue, between St. Clair Avenue West and a point 41 metres further north, in an attempt to mitigate safety concerns related to non-compliance of the one-way southbound designation. A map of the area is Attachment No. 1.

## **COMMENTS**

Mariposa Avenue is a 7.5 metre wide one-way southbound local road, between Pritchard Avenue and St. Clair Avenue West. The road is flanked primarily by single family homes and some commercial properties at the northwest and northeast corners of Mariposa Avenue at St. Clair Avenue West. The commercial properties at the northwest corner of the intersection have access to parking via the Gas Station entry and exit located on St. Clair Avenue West, west of Mariposa Avenue, and from Mariposa Avenue southbound via Pritchard Avenue.

Recent observations revealed that motorists trying to access the Gas Station illegally use Mariposa Avenue in the counter-flow direction, from St. Clair Avenue West.

Transportation Services staff examined the impact of converting the section of Mariposa Avenue, just north of St. Clair Avenue West, to two-way operation, in order to address and alleviate this problem. The staff assessment concluded that it was feasible to convert the southerly most section of the road to two-way operation, without compromising the safety of the intersection.

Given the staff finding, it would be preferable to legalize the existing movement by designating this small section of Mariposa Avenue to a two-way operation from St. Clair Avenue West to a point 41 metres to the north.

Converting the section of Mariposa Avenue from St. Clair Avenue West to a point 41 metres north of St. Clair Avenue West to a two way traffic operation, will improve access to the commercial property at 2580 St. Clair Avenue West and eliminate the illegal turns occurring from St. Clair Avenue West. This proposal will not directly impact residents on Mariposa Avenue.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment No. 1: Map – Existing and Proposed Parking Regulations