



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

McRoberts Avenue and Corby Avenue - Parking Amendments to Facilitate Mechanical Street Sweeping

Date:	April 20, 2009
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 17 – Davenport
Reference Number:	p:\2009\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc090078o

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 obtain approval to amend the existing parking regulations for McRoberts Avenue between Rogers Road and Summit Avenue and Corby Avenue between McRoberts Avenue and Gilbert Avenue, which will result in alternate side parking on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month between April 1st and November 30th. These changes will enable regular cleaning for both sides of McRoberts Avenue and Corby Avenue by mechanical street sweepers.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

1. Rescinding the existing “No Parking Anytime” regulation on the west side of McRoberts Avenue from Rogers Road to a point 201 metres north of Corby Avenue.
2. Enacting a “No Parking Anytime, except the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, April 1st to November 30th, inclusive” regulation on the west side of McRoberts Avenue from Rogers Road to a point 201 metres north of Corby Avenue.

3. Enacting a “No Parking Anytime, 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, April 1st to November 30th, inclusive” regulation on the east side of McRoberts Avenue from Rogers Road to a point 201 metres north of Corby Avenue.
4. Rescinding the existing “No Parking Anytime” regulation on the south side of Corby Avenue from Gilbert Avenue to McRoberts Avenue.
5. Enacting a “No Parking Anytime, except the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, April 1st to November 30th, inclusive” regulation on the south side of Corby Avenue from Gilbert Avenue to McRoberts Avenue.
6. Enacting a “No Parking, 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, April 1st to November 30th, inclusive” regulation on the north side of Corby Avenue from Gilbert Avenue to McRoberts Avenue.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$2,000.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

City Council, at its meeting held on September 25, 26 and 27, 2006, adopted a staff report recommending various parking regulation amendments to facilitate mechanical street sweeping in the area bounded by Winona Drive, Caledonia Road, Davenport Road and Rogers Road. Specifically, the parking regulation amendment prohibited parking on one side of the roadway, where parking was normally permitted, for the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month for the period beginning April 1 and ending November 30. To prevent disruption and to maintain on-street parking on those days, alternate side parking was allowed. This would enable mechanical street sweepers to regularly clean both sides of the roadway without having to manoeuvre around parked vehicles.

The approved parking regulation amendments with respect to McRoberts Avenue, specifies alternate side parking from Rogers Road to St. Clair Avenue West. The purpose of this report is to extend the amendment to include the section of road to the north, between Rogers Road and just south of Summit Avenue; and, to also include Corby Avenue in this program.

COMMENTS

Recently, Councillor Cesar Palacio requested that staff consider adding another section of McRoberts Avenue and Corby Avenue to the original area approved by City Council in September 2006. At a subsequent meeting between the Councillor and staff of the Road and Traffic Operations Sections of the Transportation Services Division, the feasibility of expanding the area was examined.

At the outset, staff reported that a preliminary (one season) staff assessment of the initial success of the implementation of the alternate side parking to accommodate the street

sweeping has been positive, with relatively few problems related to the parking and evident cleaner streets as a result of the program. In the deliberations to include another section of McRoberts Avenue and Corby Avenue, it was concluded that both sections could be added to the area initiative without any detrimental effect to roads and traffic operations.

Given that the operational impact of adding the northerly section of McRoberts Avenue (between Rogers Road and to just south of Summit Avenue where the road is stopped up because of grades) and Corby Avenue to the program is not very significant, Roads and Traffic Operations Staff are prepared to recommend the amendments to the parking regulations to facilitate mechanical street sweeping.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map