

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Rowntree Mills Park Area – Parking Regulation Amendments

Date:	June 4, 2009	
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council	
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District	
Wards:	Ward 7 – York West	
Reference Number:	p:\2009\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc090103-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 obtain approval for the implementation of a "No Stopping, 12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m." regulation on some of the streets in the area of Rowntree Mills Park (Aviemore Drive, Grampian Crescent, Hathor Crescent, Riverside Drive, Rowntree Mill Road, and Whitfield Avenue).

These proposed stopping prohibitions will address the issue of people parking on the street and walking into Rowntree Mills Park after the park is closed at night.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

- 1. Enacting a "No Stopping, 12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m." regulation on both sides of Aviemore Drive between Islington Avenue and Franel Crescent.
- 2. Enacting a "No Stopping, 12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m." regulation on both sides of Grampian Crescent between Aviemore Drive (south intersection) and Aviemore Drive (north intersection).
- 3. Enacting a "No Stopping, 12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m." regulation on both sides of Hathor Crescent between Rowntree Mill Road (west intersection) and Rowntree Mill Road (east intersection).

- 4. Enacting a "No Stopping, 12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m." regulation on the south side of Riverside Drive between Apted Avenue and a point 518 metres west of Apted Avenue.
- 5. Enacting a "No Stopping, 12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m." regulation on both sides of Rowntree Mill Road between Emily Avenue and a point 50 metres east of Apted Avenue.
- 6. Enacting a "No Stopping, 12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m." regulation on both sides of Whitfield Avenue between Apted Avenue and the west limit of Whitfield Avenue.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$4,000.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services received a request from Councillor Giorgio Mammoliti, Ward 7, York West to present a report to prohibit the late night parking on roads in the area of Rowntree Mills Park. At a meeting attend by approximately 100 residents who live in the area of the park, concerns were raised regarding motorists parking on the streets and then walking into the park. This is apparently occurring after midnight when the park is closed. Maps of the area are Attachments 1 and 2.

COMMENTS

Rowntree Mills Park is located along the Humber River, to the northwest of the intersection of Islington Avenue and Finch Avenue West. The park closes at 10:00 p.m. The streets in question are typically 8.5 metre wide, two-way local roads built to urban standards (i.e. curb and gutter) typically with sidewalks.

Various parking regulations already exist within the community including parking prohibitions. In addition, "No Stopping Anytime" regulations are posted on sections of two roads, Rowntree Mill Road and Riverside Drive, which currently provide direct access to the park.

To address the concerns of the community, an overnight parking prohibition is proposed in the areas of the five streets that were discussed with the community. It is the intention to further examine the effect of the signs combined with the impact of parking enforcement of the stopping regulations following the summer. At that time, the introduction or removal of addition regulations will be discussed with the area Councillor.

Residents also requested the towing of vehicles illegally parked. This issue will be discussed with the Toronto Police Service, Parking Enforcement Unit staff, as will the need for any additional signs to accommodate this towing (i.e. Tow Away Zone signs).

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Area Map Attachment 2: Area Map