

# STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

# **Monterrey Drive – Parking Regulation Amendments**

Date:	August 13, 2009
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 1 – Etobicoke-North
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## 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 installation of a "Maximum 10 Minute Limit" parking regulation on the east side of Monterrey Drive along a portion of the frontage of Beaumonde Heights Junior Middle School (J.M.S.). This regulation will apply between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

This proposed regulation will give the parents wishing to accompany children into the school an area for short duration parking.

# RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

- Rescinding the existing parking prohibition that applies between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the east side of Monterrey Drive from Taysham Crescent to a point 203 metres south of Taysham Crescent.
- 2. Rescinding the existing parking prohibition that applies between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on both sides of Monterrey Drive from a point 203 metres south of Taysham Crescent to a point 43 metres south thereof.
- 3. Rescinding the existing stopping prohibition that applies between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the west side of Monterrey Drive from Taysham Crescent to a point 203 metres south of Taysham Crescent.

- 4. Enacting a parking prohibition that applies between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the east side of Monterrey Drive from Taysham Crescent to a point 180 metres south of Taysham Crescent.
- 5. Enacting a Maximum 10 Minute Limit that applies between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday, on the east side of Monterrey Drive from a point 180 metres south of Taysham Crescent to a point 53 metres south thereof.
- 6. Enacting a parking prohibition that applies between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the east side of Monterrey Drive from 233 metres south of Taysham Crescent to a point 31 metres south thereof.
- 7. Enacting a stopping prohibition that applies between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the west side of Monterrey Drive from Taysham Crescent to a point 15 metres northwest of Beaumonde Heights Drive.

# Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$400.00

#### **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Transportation Services staff received a request from Councillor Suzan Hall, Ward 1, Etobicoke North, on behalf of some parents of children attending Beaumonde Heights J.M.S., to create an area to accommodate parents wishing to park and accompany children into the school. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

#### COMMENTS

Beaumonde Heights J.M.S. is located on the southeast corner of Monterrey Drive and Taysham Crescent within the community to the south of Finch Avenue West and west of Islington Avenue. The school facility fronts onto Monterrey Drive with the playground located to the north and east of the school along the Taysham Crescent frontage. The legal speed limit on both Monterrey Drive and Taysham Crescent is 40 km/h. A pedestrian crossover (PXO) exists on Monterrey Drive at Amaron Drive, directly in front of the school. Current parking regulations prohibit parking along the school frontage between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday to Friday with a "No Stopping, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday to Friday" regulation posted on the opposite side. School buses currently service the school from a dedicated loop on school property.

To address concerns, a school area traffic assessment was conducted during the morning and afternoon peak hours. As part of this assessment, the number of vehicles dropping off and picking up students and their approximate location was recorded. The results indicated that there is a substantial number (28) of caregivers who stop opposite the school within the "No Stopping" zone. Due to the presence of vehicles on both sides of the street, only one vehicle was able to pass between the parked cars creating significant congestion during the peak times. In addition, it was noted that some of the school buses servicing the school were required to reverse when exiting the loop in order to pass the vehicles parked illegally within the "No Stopping" zone. Parking enforcement has been requested as a result of our observations.

Based on staff's examination of this matter, we can support the request that short duration parking (maximum 10 minutes) be allowed. This regulation would apply between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on Monterrey Drive on a small portion of street near the south end of the school property. This will provide a legal area for those parents who wish to park and walk their children into the school. This area is immediately in front of the kindergarten classrooms and will provide parking for approximately eight vehicles. Discussions with the school principal indicate that they have no objections to creating an area for short duration parking on Monterrey Drive.

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### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1: Map