



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Elsmere Avenue – Parking Regulation Amendments

Date:	August 14, 2009
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 11 – York South-Weston
Reference Number:	p:\2009\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc090115-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 installation of a “No Standing Anytime” regulation on both sides of Elsmere Avenue, from Weston Road to the easterly terminus of the street.

This proposed standing prohibition will further address traffic congestion, unacceptable on-street illegal parking and passenger loading activities on both sides of the street.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

1. Rescinding the existing “No Parking Anytime” prohibition on the north and south sides of Elsmere Avenue between Weston Road and the easterly terminus of the street.
2. Enacting a “No Standing Anytime” prohibition on the north and south sides of Elsmere Avenue between Weston Road and the easterly terminus of the street.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$1,000.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Transportation Services Division received a request from the office of Councillor Frances Nunziata to prohibit standing on the north and south sides of Elsmere Avenue between Weston Road and the easterly terminus of the street, for the benefit of merchants of the adjacent commercial properties in this area. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

COMMENTS

Elsmere Avenue, between Weston Road and the easterly terminus street, is a two-way local road that provides access to both residential and commercial properties. This 8.5 metre wide roadway is built to urban standards (i.e. curb and gutter) with existing sidewalks on both sides of the road.

Parking is currently prohibited anytime on the north and south sides of Elsmere Avenue between Weston Road and the easterly terminus of the street and there appears to be sufficient accessible off-street parking for patrons to the commercial-retail establishments in the area.

On-street illegal parking and passenger loading activities on Elsmere Avenue disrupt the vehicular traffic flow. To discourage the use of Elsmere Avenue for on-street illegal parking and passenger loading activities, staff is recommending that standing be prohibited at all times on the north and south sides of Elsmere Avenue between Weston Road and the easterly terminus of the street.

The proposed standing prohibition, in conjunction with the associated signage, will help deter on-street illegal parking and passenger loading activities from taking place on the north and south sides of Elsmere Avenue between Weston Road and the easterly terminus of the street.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map