



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Geary Avenue – Parking Regulation Amendment

Date:	August 14, 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\eycc090116-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, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” regulation on the south side of Geary Avenue, between Westmoreland Avenue North and a point 26 metres further west.

This proposed standing prohibition on the south side of the road will help facilitate the manoeuvring of vehicles to the loading facility on the north side of Geary Avenue, just west of Westmoreland Avenue North.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

1. Rescinding the existing “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” prohibition on the south side of Geary Avenue between Westmoreland Avenue North and a point 26 metres further west.
2. Enacting a “No Standing, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” prohibition on the south side of Geary Avenue between Westmoreland Avenue North and a point 26 metres further west.

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 Cesar Palacio on behalf of Cutler Textiles located at 116 Geary Avenue to prohibit standing on the south side of Geary Avenue between Westmoreland Avenue North and a point 26 metres further west. The reason for this request was to facilitate on-street manoeuvring of vehicles into the loading facility of the building occupying 116 Geary Avenue, on the north side of the road. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

COMMENTS

Geary Avenue, between Westmoreland Avenue North and Salem Avenue North, is a 9.75 metre wide, two-lane, two-way collector road with sidewalks on the north side of the street and a statutory speed limit of 40 km/h. This road provides access to both commercial and residential properties that exist in this area.

Parking is currently prohibited anytime on the north side of Geary Avenue between Salem Avenue North and Dovercourt Road, which includes the frontage for 116 Geary Avenue. Furthermore, parking is currently prohibited from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the south side of Geary Avenue between Westmoreland Avenue North and a point 26 metres west thereof.

At the request of Cutler Textiles located at 116 Geary Avenue, Transportation Services staff investigated concerns with trucks attempting to load/unload at this location. Trucks attempting to use the loading facility at Cutler Textiles are experiencing difficulty manoeuvring into the loading facility at this location due to illegally parked vehicles on the south side of Geary Avenue opposite 116 Geary Avenue.

The proposed standing prohibition on the south side of Geary Avenue, just west of Westmoreland Avenue North (opposite Cutler Textiles), will introduce more restrictive parking regulations and increased penalties which is expected to discourage illegal parking and thus provide the clearance required for trucks manoeuvring into the loading facility of the building occupying 116 Geary Avenue.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map