



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Earlscourt Avenue – Parking Regulation Amendment

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| Date: | August 14, 2009 |
| To: | Etobicoke York Community Council |
| From: | Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District |
| Wards: | Ward 17 – Davenport |
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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 “No Standing Anytime” regulation on the east side of Earlscourt Avenue, between St. Clair Avenue West and a point 39 metres further north.

This proposed standing prohibition will help eliminate the parking by permit holders for the physically disabled who obstruct the commercial boulevard parking on the east side of Earlscourt Avenue, just north of St. Clair Avenue West.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

1. Rescinding the “Parking allowed for a maximum period of one hour from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday” on the east side of Earlscourt Avenue, between St. Clair Avenue West and Ascot Avenue.
2. Rescinding the “Permit Parking is in effect from 2:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. daily”, on the east side of Earlscourt Avenue, between St. Clair Avenue West and Ascot Avenue.
3. Enacting a “No Standing Anytime” prohibition on the east side of Earlscourt Avenue, between St. Clair Avenue West and a point 39 metres further north.

4. Enacting a “Parking allowed for a maximum period of one hour from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday” on the east side of Earlscourt Avenue, between a point 39 metres north of St. Clair Avenue West and Ascot Avenue.
5. Enacting “Permit Parking is in effect from 2:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. daily”, on the east side of Earlscourt Avenue, between a point 39 metres north of St. Clair Avenue West and Ascot Avenue.

Financial Impact

| Type of Funding | Source of Funds | Amount |
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| 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 the tenants of 1278 St. Clair Avenue West, to prohibit standing on the east side of Earlscourt Avenue between St. Clair Avenue West and a point 39 metres further north, to discourage motorists with permits for the physically disabled from parking and blocking vehicles that are parked within the commercial boulevard parking area adjacent to 1278 St. Clair Avenue West. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

COMMENTS

Earlscourt Avenue, between St. Clair Avenue West and Ascot Avenue, is a 7.3 metre wide, two-lane, one-way southbound local road with sidewalks on the east and west sides of the street and a statutory speed limit of 40 km/h. This local road provides access to commercial and residential properties.

Parking is currently prohibited anytime on the west side of Earlscourt Avenue between St. Clair Avenue West and Ascot Avenue. Parking is allowed for a maximum period of one hour from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday on the east side of Earlscourt Avenue, between St. Clair Avenue West and Ascot Avenue. Permit Parking is in effect from 2:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. daily, otherwise parking is allowed for a maximum period of three hours, on the east side of Earlscourt Avenue, between St. Clair Avenue West and Ascot Avenue.

At the request of the tenants of the commercial building municipally known as 1278 St. Clair Avenue West, Transportation Services staff investigated concerns with the commercial boulevard parking being obstructed by motorists displaying permits for the physically disabled. Residents attempting to use the boulevard parking are blocked by the vehicles displaying these permits, which allow parking in an otherwise prohibited area.

The proposed standing prohibition on the east side of Earls court Avenue, just north of St. Clair Avenue West (flanking 1278 St. Clair Avenue West), would discourage parking by the physically disabled and provide access to the commercial boulevard parking.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map