



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Lightwood Drive - Parking Regulation Amendments

Date:	August 18, 2009
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 1 – Etobicoke North
Reference Number:	p:\2009\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc090118-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 Parking 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Thursdays only” regulation on the north side of Lightwood Drive between Sanagan Road and a point 285 metres east of Sanagan Road.

The proposed parking regulation will allow the Toronto Community Housing complex, located on the north side of Lightwood Drive, to be converted to curbside garbage pick-up.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

1. Enacting a “No Parking, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Thursdays only” prohibition on the north side of Lightwood Drive between Sanagan Road and a point 285 metres east of Sanagan Road.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$800.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services staff received a request from Councillor Suzan Hall, Ward 1, Etobicoke North, forwarding a request from Toronto Community Housing, to prohibit parking on the north side of Lightwood Drive along the frontage of their complex, between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Thursdays only, to accommodate curbside garbage pick-up. A map of the area is shown on Attachment 1.

COMMENTS

Lightwood Drive is an 8.5 metre wide two way local road located within the community to the south of Albion Road and to the east of Kipling Avenue. Within the subject section of Lightwood Drive, the Toronto Community Housing complex is located on the north side of the road while single family residential homes are located on the south side. Currently, parking is permitted for a maximum of three hours (unsigned) on both sides of the street.

The Toronto Community Housing complex currently uses several disposal bins which are located within the parking lot of the complex for residents to dispose of garbage. However, all bins are located within a designated fire route. Furthermore, all bins are out in the open and current by-laws require disposal bins to be contained within a fenced in area.

Transportation Services staff met with staff from Toronto Community Housing and several options were discussed. However, due to the current configuration of the complex and current regulations only one on-site alternative is available. This option would require residents at the east limit of complex to dispose of their garbage near the west limit of the site. The preferred option by both Toronto Community Housing and Toronto Solid Waste would be to have the residents responsible for their own curbside pickup, similar to typical residential pick-up. However, discussions with staff from Toronto Solid Waste concluded that curbside pick-up would only be feasible if parking was prohibited along the complex frontage on Thursdays, the day in which pick-up is currently scheduled.

Observations conducted during Thursday morning concluded that vehicles are parking in the area which the prohibition is proposed. Furthermore it appears that several of the vehicles regularly park in this area as some vehicles were observed on more than one occasion. However, during our discussions with the Toronto Community Housing staff they felt that most of the vehicles were being generated by the complex residents despite having available on-site site parking.

Based on our observations and discussions with Toronto Community Housing we can support the request that parking be prohibited on the north side of Lightwood Drive between Sanagan Road at the east limit of the Toronto Housing complex between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Thursdays only. This will permit Toronto Solid Waste to proceed with implementing curbside pick-up for the residents of this complex

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map