



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### Armada Avenue at the Toronto Parking Authority Parking Lot Driveway (265 Armada Avenue) – Turn Prohibition

<b>Date:</b>	October 20, 2009
<b>To:</b>	Etobicoke York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 13 – Parkdale High Park
<b>Reference Number:</b>	p:2009\Cluster B\TRA\Etobicoke York\eycc090143 to

#### SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which the Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval to prohibit westbound right turns at anytime for vehicles exiting the Toronto Parking Authority (Green P) Parking Lot located on the east side of Armada Avenue, 75 metres north of Bloor Street West.

The proposed turn prohibition will prevent vehicles from turning right when exiting the lot, thus reducing the number of vehicles using the local roads to access Jane Street. Approval of this report will result in “No Right Turn” signs being posted for vehicles exiting the Green P parking lot.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

**Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:**

1. Enacting a westbound “No Right Turn” anytime prohibition for vehicles exiting the Toronto Parking Authority parking lot located on Armada Avenue 75 metres north of Bloor Street West.

#### Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$300.00

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Transportation Services staff attended meetings with Councillor Bill Saundercook and residents of Armadale Avenue concerned with traffic volumes and speed on this street. One of the requests we received from the community was to consider prohibition right turns exiting from the Green P parking lot located north of Bloor Street West. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

## **COMMENTS**

Armadale Avenue is a two-way local residential road running parallel to Jane Street, north of Bloor Street West. The Green P Parking lot is located on the east side of Armadale Avenue, north of Bloor Street West and provides parking for approximately 150 vehicles. Only one driveway exists for motorists entering and exiting this lot. This driveway is located approximately 75 metres north of Bloor Street West. On the west side of the street is a TTC bus pick-up and drop-off facility for the Jane Subway station. The TTC driveway that accesses Armadale Avenue is located south of the Green P lot. The speed limit on Armadale Avenue is 40 km/h and sidewalks are located on both sides of the street.

To quantify concerns, studies were conducted over an eight hour period at the Green P Parking lot driveway. A total of 94 vehicles were recorded exiting the loop (turning right) and travelling north on Armadale Avenue. The majority, a total of 184 vehicles, turned left from the lot and headed south towards Bloor Street West.

Based on our observations, we can support the request to prohibit right turns at all times exiting the Green P parking lot to direct motorists to access the closest arterial road (Bloor Street West).

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1:           Map