

Short-Term Parking: Melrose Avenue

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To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Division, North York District
Wards:	Ward 16 – Eglinton Lawrence
Reference Number:	ny09016

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that the Community Council has delegated authority to make a final decision, provided that it is not amended so that it varies with the City policy or by-laws.

To obtain approval to amend the existing parking regulations on the south side of Melrose Avenue, between Avenue Road and Grey Road to install parking for maximum periods of 10 minutes during the day to accommodate the needs of the Melrose Community Church Nursery School facility located on the south side of Melrose Avenue.

The amendments to the parking regulations on Melrose Avenue will address concerns related to short-term pick-up and drop-off activities at the above-noted church and nursery school facility.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services Division, North York District recommends that:

1. Schedule VIII of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended by deleting the No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, prohibition on the south side of Melrose Avenue, from a point 30 metres west of the westerly limit of Avenue Road to the easterly limit of Grey Road;
2. Schedule VIII of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended by installing 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, prohibition on the south side

of Melrose Avenue, from a point 30 metres west of Avenue Road to a point 55 metres west thereof;

3. Schedule VIII of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended by installing 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday prohibition, on the south side of Melrose Avenue, from a point 94 metres west of Avenue Road to Grey Road;
4. Schedule X of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, be amended by installing 10 minute permitted parking, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m, restriction on the south side of Melrose Avenue from a point 55 metres west of Avenue Road to a point 39 metres west thereof;

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with the amendments to the parking regulations on Melrose Avenue are included within the Transportation Services Division's 2009 Operating Budget estimate.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services Division, North York District, was requested by Councillor Karen Stintz, on behalf of church members and parents whose children attend the nursery and kindergarten school facility located at Melrose Community Church located at 375 Melrose Avenue, to remove the parking restrictions on the south side of Melrose Avenue and to allow short-term parking.

COMMENTS

The church members and parents stopping to pick-up and drop-off other members or children at the nursery school facility are concerned that the lack of parking on either side of Melrose Avenue poses a safety concern for members attending church or children attending the nursery school during pick-up and drop-off activities.

During the winter months a significant number of parking spaces in the church parking lot are unavailable due to snow piles which forces church member and parents to drop-off and pick-up in front of the church on Melrose Avenue.

Melrose Avenue is a two lane collector roadway with a pavement width of 8.5 metres. Traffic Control signals are located at the intersection of Avenue Road and Melrose Avenue.

Melrose Community Church is located on the south side of Melrose Avenue at number 375 just west of Avenue Road. The current parking regulations on Melrose Avenue, in the vicinity of the church are as follows:

- Parking is prohibited from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Melrose Avenue between Avenue Road and Grey Road; and
- Parking is prohibited at anytime on the north side of Melrose Avenue, between Avenue Road and Bathurst Street.

The Melrose Community Church parking lot has approximately 18 spaces for member and parents. Currently pick-up and drop-off activities on Melrose Avenue in front of Melrose Community Church must be done illegally.

Therefore, to provide a permitted parking area to facilitate pick-up and drop-off activities, we are recommending the implementation of 10 minute permitted parking on the south side of Melrose Avenue, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, in front of the church.

Councillor Karen Stintz has been advised of our recommendations.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: Map – Permitted Parking: Melrose Av from a point 55 metres west of Avenue Rd to a point 39 metres west (*ny09016_map*)