

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

One-Way Street Designation/Turn Prohibitions: 2401 Dufferin Street (Belgravia Avenue and Whitemore Avenue)

Date:	September 18, 2009
To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Division, North York District
Wards:	Ward 15 – Eglinton-Lawrence
Reference Number:	ny09068

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 City policy or by-laws.

To obtain approval to convert the one-way operation of Whitmore Avenue from Dufferin Street to a point 40 metres east to a two-way operation, construct a traffic island on the north side of Whitmore Avenue opposite the new driveway access, and to prohibit westbound right turns from Belgravia Avenue in to the driveway access of 2401 Dufferin Street located on the north side of Belgravia Avenue.

The re-designation of Whitmore Avenue from Dufferin Street to a location approximately 40 metres east thereof will provide access and egress to 2401 Dufferin Street via the signalized access of Dufferin Street and Whitmore Avenue and the driveway access on to Belgravia Avenue will provide egress from the site. The proposed site access modifications will result in the elimination of a driveway access point on Dufferin Street and address the residents concerns regarding infiltration into the neighbourhood.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services Division recommends that North York Community Council:

- 1. Amend By-law Nos. 196-84 and 2958-94, of the former City of York, to delete Whitmore Avenue as a eastbound one-way street, from the Dufferin Street to Marlee Avenue:
- 2. Amend By-law Nos. 196-84 and 2958-94, of the former City of York, to add Whitmore Avenue as a eastbound one-way street, from the a point 40 metres east of Dufferin Street to Marlee Avenue; and
- 3. Amend By-law Nos. 196-84 and 2958-94, of the former City of York, to prohibit westbound right movements from Beigravia Avenue into the driveway access to 2401 Dufferin St.

Financial Impact

All costs associated with the installation of the required turn/entry prohibitions are the responsibility of the applicant, Paul W. Rycroft Land Developments on behalf of Rexall Pharmacy.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Traffic Operations, North York District, has been requested by Traffic Planning/Right-of-Way to bring forth a report to North York Community Council to implement the appropriate by-law amendments as per the approved development application.

COMMENTS

The site being developed is bounded by Dufferin Street to the west, Whitmore Avenue to the north, and Belgravia Avenue to the south. The following road classifications apply to the aforementioned roads: Dufferin Street is designated as a major arterial roadway; Whitmore Avenue and Belgravia Avenue are designated as local roadways. Currently Whitmore Avenue operates as a eastbound one-way road and Belgravia Avenue operates as a westbound one-way road.

The applicants have demolished the existing auto dealership and have constructed a one storey commercial building which will be used as a Pharma Plus Store.

During the site development review process, the Traffic Planning and Right-of-Way Section has requested that the existing driveway access points onto Dufferin Street be eliminated and new driveway access points be constructed on Whitmore Avenue and Belgravia Avenue.

As such the re-designation of Whitmore Avenue from Dufferin Street to a point 40 metres east thereof to a two-way operation is required to provide access to the site via the existing signalized intersection of Dufferin Street and Whitmore Avenue. Given that the remainder Whitmore Avenue will continue to operate as an eastbound one-way road, in order to discourage illegal traffic movements, staff has recommended the construction of a curb bump out on the north side of Whitmore Avenue opposite the driveway access on to Whitmore Avenue from 2401 Dufferin Street.

The driveway access onto Beigravia Avenue is required to not only facilitate the delivery vehicles but also to provide an alternate egress point from the site.

Accordingly in view of the above, the Traffic Operations staff support of the conclusions of the Traffic Planning and Right-of-Way Section.

Councillor Howard Moscoe was informed of the proposed roadway modifications and is in support of the above.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Location Map – 2401 Dufferin St (Whitmore Av & Belgravia Av)

(ny09068 map)