

**Installation of an On-Street Parking Space for Persons' with Disabilities: Amherst Avenue**

<b>Date:</b>	October 13, 2009
<b>To:</b>	North York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services Division, North York District
<b>Wards:</b>	<b>Ward 15 – Eglinton - Lawrence</b>
<b>Reference Number:</b>	<i>ny09075</i>

**SUMMARY**

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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 install a disabled persons' parking space adjacent to 27 Amherst Avenue.

The installation of the disabled persons' parking space will address the needs of the resident of 27 Amherst Avenue, while only reducing the available on street parking by one space.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

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Transportation Services recommends that North York Community Council:

1. Approve the installation of one on-street parking space for persons' with disabilities on the south side of Amherst Avenue, between a point 116.5 metres east of Glenholme Avenue and a point 5.5 metres further east thereof.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

All costs associated with the installation of a disabled persons' parking space adjacent to 27 Amherst Avenue is included in the Transportation Services Division 2009 Operating Budget.

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

The Transportation Services Division received a request from a resident of 27 Amherst Avenue to investigate the feasibility of installing an on-street disabled persons' parking space adjacent to their residence.

## **COMMENTS**

Amherst Avenue between Oakwood Avenue and Glenholme Avenue is an eastbound one way local residential roadway with a pavement width of approximately 7.25 metres and has municipal sidewalks on both sides of the roadway.

Currently, parking is prohibited at anytime on the north side of Amherst Avenue between Oakwood Avenue and Glenholme Avenue. On the south side of Amherst Avenue, between Glenholme Avenue and a point 52 metres west of Oakwood Avenue, parking is permitted for up to 12 hours, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, and by permit from 12:00 midnight to 6:00 a.m.

Traffic Planning and Right-of-Way Management has indicated that 27 on-street parking spaces are available on this section of Amherst Avenue and 11 permits have been issued. They are in support of the removal of one on-street parking space in order to install one disabled persons on-street parking space.

The applicant is a holder of a valid disabled persons' parking permit issued by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario.

The requested location of the designated parking space will be on the south side of the roadway in front of the home of the resident requesting the creation of the designated parking space and the adjacent neighbour's property. The owner of the adjacent property (29 Amherst Avenue) does not have any objection to installing a disabled persons' parking space in front of the property. As such, we have determined that it is feasible to install an on-street disabled persons' parking space in front of 27/29 Amherst Avenue. The creation of this designated parking space will not result in the deprivation of more than one on-street parking space.

Councillor Howard Moscoe supports the recommendations of this staff report.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1: Map – Amherst Av – Disabled Parking Spacet (*ny09075\_map*)