
NOTICE OF MOTION**Through Traffic Restrictions:****Steeles Avenue East at Willowdale Avenue and Maxome Avenue/Henderson Avenue****Moved by: Councillor Shiner****Seconded by: Councillor** _____
_____**SUMMARY:**

The Transportation Services Division has reviewed a request from the Town of Markham to implement time-based through restrictions at Willowdale Avenue and Steeles Avenue East in order to eliminate a substantial number of vehicles infiltrating through the community north of Steeles Avenue East. In order to address the impact of northbound and southbound through restrictions on Willowdale Avenue at Steeles Avenue, the intersection of Maxome Avenue and Steeles Avenue East has also been considered.

The Town of Markham has requested that at the intersection of Willowdale Avenue and Steeles Avenue East southbound through movements be prohibited between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, and northbound movements be prohibited between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

Currently, there are no turning or through restrictions at the intersections of Steeles Avenue East at Willowdale Avenue or Maxome Avenue/Henderson Avenue.

An investigation conducted by Transportation Services staff has determined that northbound and southbound through restrictions at the intersection of Steeles Avenue and Willowdale Avenue during the peak periods will have a considerable impact as traffic will be displaced to the intersection of Steeles Avenue and Maxome Avenue both in the southbound direction in the a.m. peak period and the northbound direction in the p.m. peak period.

The installation of northbound and southbound through restrictions at both intersections of Steeles Avenue East at Willowdale Avenue and at Maxome Avenue/Henderson Avenue during the a.m. and p.m. peak periods will minimize the impact of traffic infiltration through the residential communities north and south of Steeles Avenue.

All costs associated with the installation of through restrictions will be included within the Transportation Services Division's 2009 Operating Budget.

Since the Toronto Transit Commission operates a transit service on Steeles Avenue East, City Council approval of this motion is required.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That City Council:

1. Approve the installation of southbound through restrictions at the intersection of Steeles Avenue East and Willowdale Avenue between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday;
2. Approve the installation of southbound through restrictions at the intersection of Steeles Avenue East and Maxome Avenue/Henderson Avenue between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday;
3. Approve the installation of northbound through restrictions at the intersection of Steeles Avenue East and Willowdale Avenue between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday; and
4. Approve the installation of northbound through restrictions at the intersection of Steeles Avenue East and Maxome Avenue/Henderson Avenue between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

Date

According to Chapter 27, Council Procedures:

Fiscal Impact Statement provided	*
Should have Fiscal Impact Statement prior to debate Requires two-thirds to waive requirement if Council wishes to debate	
Should be referred to Committee/Community Council Requires two-thirds vote to consider at this meeting	
Motion Recommendations are Urgent – (e.g. Health and Safety)	

* Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer to advise.