

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Proposed Minor Street Stop Signs in the Guildwood Neighbourhood

Date:	January 20, 2009
To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 43 – Scarborough East
Reference Number:	P:\2008\Cluster B\TRA\Scarborough\sc09008 D08-3013843 Guildwood area stop signs

SUMMARY

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

This report responds to a request to install a minor street stop sign at the uncontrolled intersections of Fintona Avenue at Greyabbey Trail.

At the same time, Transportation Services staff also reviewed the installation of minor street stop signs at other uncontrolled three-way intersections in the immediate area (Cushendun Road at Fintona Avenue, Cushendun Road at Fordover Drive, Denny Court at Greyabbey Trail, Moss Street at Fintona Avenue, and Moss Street at Fordover Drive), all of which are in the Guildwood neighbourhood.

It is recommended that minor street stop signs be installed at the subject uncontrolled three-way intersections to clearly define the right-of-way and to regulate traffic flow.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, Scarborough District, recommends that Scarborough Community Council:

- 1. Adopt the "Compulsory Stops" regulations, as identified in Appendix 1 of this report.
- 2. Amend the appropriate by-law accordingly.

Financial Impact

The financial cost of installing these stop controls is approximately \$1,750.00. The funding for these stop controls is available in the Transportation Services 2009 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Further to a request from Councillor Paul Ainslie, Transportation Services staff reviewed the feasibility of installing minor street stop signs at intersections of Fintona Avenue at Greyabbey Trail. Fintona Avenue is a two-lane local roadway. Other intersections in the local neighbourhood were also reviewed.

COMMENTS

Several characteristics describe the subject intersections in the Guildwood neighbourhood. Those intersections are presently uncontrolled, and located in the community east of Morningside Avenue and Guildwood Parkway. The land use in this area is single family residential.

Stop signs at the intersections would clearly define the right-of-way and regulate traffic flow. The stop signs would also encourage motorists to stop before the sidewalks to enhance pedestrian safety.

In addition to the above intersections, staff identified five other three-way uncontrolled intersections in the immediate area with similar characteristics, as identified in this report. Accordingly, to provide stop sign uniformity, and for the same safety reasons as above, a minor street stop sign is recommended at all seven intersections.

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ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Appendix 1 By-law Amendment (enact)
- 2. Location Plan (Proposed Stop Signs Guildwood Neighbourhood Area)

Appendix 1

"Compulsory Stops" Regulation to be Enacted

Column 1Column 2IntersectionStop Street

Cushendun Road at Fintona Avenue Cushendun Road

Cushendun Road at Fordover Drive Cushendun Road

Denny Court at Greyabbey Trail Denny Court

Fintona Avenue at Greyabbey Trail Fintona Avenue

(east intersection)

Fintona Avenue at Greyabbey Trail Fintona Avenue

(west intersection)

Moss Street at Fintona Avenue Moss Street

Moss Street at Fordover Drive Moss Street