



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Supplementary Report - Proposed Stopping and Parking Regulations – Steeles Avenue East and Sewells Road

Date:	May 15, 2009
To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Acting Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 42 – Scarborough Rouge River
Reference Number:	P:\2009\Cluster B\TRA\Scarborough\sc09049

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 supplementary report responds to a deferral of this item SC16.12 at the June 10, 2008 Scarborough Community Council meeting “to allow the owner of Standard Auto Wreckers time to review options for alternative parking arrangements for their business.

It is recommended that “No Stopping Anytime” regulations on both Steeles Avenue East and Sewells Road be enacted to mitigate illegal roadside dumping activities along these roads. It is also recommended that one hour parking, be allowed on Sewells Road in the vicinity of Standard Auto Wreckers during their business hours.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Rescind the “No Parking”, “Parking for Restricted Periods” and “No Stopping” regulations, as identified in Appendix 1 of this report.
2. Adopt the “No Stopping” and “Parking for Restricted Periods” as identified in Appendix 2 of this report.
3. Amend the appropriate by-law(s) accordingly.

Financial Impact

The financial cost of installing the necessary signs is approximately \$10,000.00. The funding for these signs is available in the Transportation Services 2009 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

As per the direction of Scarborough Community Council on June 10, 2008 to allow the owner of Standard Auto Wreckers time to review options for alternative parking arrangements for their business, meetings have been held between the Councillor's office, City staff and representatives from Standard Auto Wreckers on several occasions to address the parking issue.

COMMENTS

City staff investigated the feasibility of alternative parking arrangements as follows:

- Off-street parking on the east side of Sewells Road
- Off-street parking on the west side of Sewells Road, north of the Canadian National Railway crossing
- Modifications to the existing on-street parking regulations

Since the land on the east side of Sewells Road opposite Standard Auto Wreckers is owned by the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority is not available for parking.

The land on the west side of Sewells Road, north of the Canadian National Railway (CN Rail) crossing is owned by the Province of Ontario and is under the jurisdiction of Hydro One. Discussions with City Planning indicate that in order to establish a parking lot on these lands, a change in land use is required. Since this property is located within the Rouge Park, this change in land use would not be supportable.

As per the Road Classification System, Steeles Avenue East is a Minor Arterial road while Sewells Road is a Local road.

The provision of a complete "No Stopping Anytime" zone is recommended along Sewells Road from a point approximately 500 metres south of Steeles Avenue East to the south intersection with Old Finch Avenue. This will make it easier for the Toronto Police Service and City staff to enforce stopping, standing, parking and dumping infractions along Sewells Road.

In the vicinity of Standard Auto Wreckers, we are recommending "No Stopping Anytime" from Steeles Avenue East to a point approximately 30.5 metres south. From a point 30.5 metres south of Steeles Avenue East, we are recommending "No Stopping from 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m." and "1 Hour Parking from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.". In the area of the Canadian National Railway and dictated by their property limits, we are retaining the existing restrictions of "No Parking Anytime" as per the Uniform Traffic By-law. From the south limit of the CN Rail property to a point approximately 500 metres south of Steeles Avenue East, we are recommending "No Stopping from 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m." and "1 Hour Parking from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.".

To prevent future dumping from relocating to Steeles Avenue East nearby, a “No Stopping Anytime” zone along Steeles Avenue from the Canadian National Railway crossing to approximately 200 metres east of Sewells Road is also recommended.

When posted, the subject “No Stopping Anytime” will assist in mitigating the illegal dumping and the proposed “1 Hour Parking” zones will assist to provide needed on-street parking in the vicinity of Standard Auto Wreckers.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Appendix 1 – By-law Amendment (rescind)
2. Appendix 2 – By-law Amendment (enact)
3. Appendix 3 – By-law Amendment (enact)
4. Location Plan (Existing and Proposed Signed Regulations - Steeles Avenue East and Sewells Road)

Appendix 1

“No Parking” Regulation to be Rescinded

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	(In Column 4) To	(In Column 5) Times or Days
Sewells Road	Both	North Limit of C.P.R. Property	Steeles Avenue	Anytime

“Parking for Restricted Periods” Regulation to be Rescinded

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days	(In Column 5) Maximum Period Permit
Sewells Road	Both	North Limit of C.P.R. Property	Steeles Avenue	7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	60 Minutes

“No Stopping” Regulation to be Rescinded

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days
Sewells Road	Both	Finch Ave (South Intersection)	North Limit of C.P.R. Right-of-Way	Anytime

Appendix 2

“No Stopping” Regulations to be Enacted

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	(In Column 4) To	(In Column 5) Times or Days
Sewells Road	Both Sides	Steeles Avenue East	to a point 30.5 metres south of Steeles Avenue East	Anytime
Sewells Road	Both Sides	The Little Rouge Creek	Old Finch Avenue (South Intersection)	Anytime
Sewells Road	Both Sides	The Canadian National Railway York Subdivision	to a point 30.5 metres south of Steeles Avenue East	9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. of the next day
Sewells Road	Both	The Canadian National Railway York Subdivision	The Little Rouge Creek	9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. of the next day
Steeles Avenue East	Both	The Canadian National Railway York Subdivision	to a point 200 metres east of Sewells Road	Anytime

Appendix 3

“Parking for Restricted Periods” Regulations to be Enacted

(In Column 1)	(In Column 2)	(In Column 3)		(In Column 4)	(In Column 5)
Highway	Side	From	To	Times or Days	Maximum Period Permit
Sewells Road	Both	The Canadian National Railway York Subdivision	To a point 30.5 metres South of Steeles Avenue East	6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	60 Minutes
Sewells Road	Both	The Canadian National Railway York Subdivision	The Little Rouge Creek	6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	60 Minutes