



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### Proposed Parking Regulation Amendments on Both Sides of Wexford Boulevard between Lawrence Avenue East and Laxford Avenue

<b>Date:</b>	August 17, 2009
<b>To:</b>	Scarborough Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Acting Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 37 – Scarborough Centre
<b>Reference Number:</b>	P:\2009\Cluster B\TRA\Scarborough\sc09055 D09-3238336 proposed parking regulations

#### SUMMARY

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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 concern about a lack of parking regulations on the both sides of Wexford Boulevard between Lawrence Avenue East and Laxford Avenue. Staff has confirmed the need for parking regulations in order to maintain safe and efficient two-way traffic on Wexford Boulevard. In addition the area residents have expressed their support for the parking regulations in the form of a petition.

It is recommended that Transportation Services install “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday “on both sides of Wexford Boulevard between Lawrence Avenue East and Laxford Avenue directly adjacent the extended corner restrictions of “No Parking Anytime” south of Lawrence Avenue East. The “No Parking Anytime” corner restrictions need to be accompanied by appropriated by-law housekeeping, so these signs become enforceable.

These new regulations would be directly adjacent to the current “No Parking Anytime” extended corner restrictions near Lawrence Avenue East.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

1. Enact the parking regulations, as identified in Appendix 1 of this report.
2. Amend the appropriate by-law(s) accordingly.

### **Financial Impact**

The financial cost of installing these parking prohibition signs is approximately \$2,000.00. Funding for the signs is available in the Transportation Services 2009 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

### **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Further to a concern raised by Councillor Michael Thompson about the lack of parking regulations on both sides of Wexford Boulevard between Lawrence Avenue East and Laxford Avenue. Transportation Services staff reviewed the current parking conditions on this roadway for the feasibility of removing parking from both sides of Wexford Boulevard in this area. Specifically, the Councillor expressed concerns about the frequency and duration of long term parking observed on both sides of Wexford Boulevard, in direct proximity to commercial establishments located on Lawrence Avenue East, the residential properties and the subsequent impacts on the surrounding residents as well as the negative effects on two-way traffic.

### **COMMENTS**

Several characteristics describing the subject portion of Wexford Boulevard include:

- The land use on this section of Wexford Boulevard is single family dwellings and the side frontage of commercial stores on both sides Wexford Boulevard just south of Lawrence Avenue East.
- Wexford Boulevard is a two-lane north-south local road with a unposted speed limit of 50 kilometres per hour and a traffic volume of approximately 1,300 vehicles per day, (vpd) with an operating speed of approximately 49 Km/h.
- Wexford Boulevard has a pavement width of approximately 8.5 metres.
- Our observations revealed frequent on-street parking.
- Currently, “No Parking Anytime” signage is in place on the both side of Wexford Boulevard via extended corner restrictions in proximity to Lawrence Avenue East. These posted signs require appropriate housekeeping by-laws so the signs will become enforceable. The southern portion of Wexford Boulevard extending to Laxford Avenue is unregulated and defaults to a three hour limit.
- When vehicles are parked on both the east and west sides of Wexford Boulevard, two-way traffic cannot be maintained.

It is recommended that Transportation Services install “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” signs on the both sides of Wexford Boulevard immediately adjacent the current “No Parking Anytime” extended corner parking zone, as well as housekeeping the by-laws for these extended corner restrictions. This will enhance safe and efficient two-way traffic on this roadway for pedestrians and motorists.

We anticipate that the Parking Regulations will enhance safety for pedestrians and motorists.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Appendix 1 – By-law Amendment (enact)
2. Location Plan (Proposed Parking Regulations, Wexford Boulevard)

## Appendix 1

### “No Parking” Regulation to be Enacted

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days
Wexford Boulevard	East	Lawrence Avenue East	52 Metres south of Lawrence Avenue East	Anytime
Wexford Boulevard	West	Lawrence Avenue East	33 Metres south of Lawrence Avenue East	Anytime
Wexford Boulevard	East	52 Metres south of Lawrence Avenue East	Laxford Avenue and Wexford Boulevard, North Intersection	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday
Wexford Boulevard	West	33 Metres south of Lawrence Avenue East	53 Metres further south	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday