



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Proposed Disabled Parking/Loading Zone on the West Side of Harding Boulevard just South of Hollis Avenue

Date:	September 16, 2009
To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Acting Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 36 – Scarborough Southwest
Reference Number:	P:\2009\Cluster B\TRA\Scarborough\sc09064 D09-3226313 Disabled Parking/Loading Zone Harding Boulevard

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 concern about lack of a disabled parking/loading zone in front of #160 Harding Boulevard. Staff has confirmed the need for this loading zone to facilitate access/egress from the home to a specialized private vehicle as well as Wheel Trans pick-up and drop-off of patrons.

It is recommended that Transportation Services install “Disabled Parking/Loading Zone” signs on the west side of Harding Boulevard from a point 10 metres south of Hollis Avenue to a point 6 metres further south. This will assist the patrons in gaining access/egress from the main floor of their home, to a private vehicle and transportation services provided by other agencies.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Rescind the parking regulations, as identified in the Appendix 1 of this report.
2. Enact the parking and standing regulations, as identified in Appendix 2 of this report.
3. Amend the appropriate by-law accordingly.

Financial Impact

The financial cost of installing these parking prohibition signs is approximately \$750.00. Funding for the signs is available in the Transportation Services 2009 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Further to a concern from an area resident and raised by the local Councillor about the lack of a disabled parking/loading zone, Transportation Services staff investigated the situation at # 160 Harding Boulevard. Specifically, the Councillor expressed concerns about a lack of proper facilities for the loading and unloading of disabled persons at this location.

Disabled Parking, Disabled Loading Zones Parking prohibitions/regulations in the City of Toronto are recommended and adopted by Council on an “as needed basis”.

COMMENTS

Several characteristics describing the subject portion of Harding Boulevard include:

- The land use on Harding Boulevard between Hollis Avenue and Kingston Road is single family dwellings.
- Harding Boulevard is a two-lane north-south local road with a speed limit of 50 kilometres per hour and a daily traffic volume of under 1000 vehicles per day
- Parking is currently permitted on the both sides of Harding Boulevard via Alternating Side parking regulations and long term parking.

We anticipate that the Disabled Parking / Loading Zone on the west side of Harding Boulevard in a relatively small area (approximately 6 metres in length), will have a minimal negative impact for local residents and traffic operations.

Harding Boulevard is classified as a local road in the City's approved Road Classification System; as such, the authority to implement the proposed parking regulation has been delegated to Scarborough Community Council.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Appendix 1 – By-law Amendment (Rescind)
2. Appendix 2 – By-Law Amendment (Enact)
3. Location Plan (On-Street Proposed Disabled Parking, 160 Harding Boulevard)

Appendix 1

Regulation to be Rescinded
“No Parking”

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days
Harding Boulevard	West	Kingston Road	Hollis Avenue	Dec. 1 to Mar. 31
Harding Boulevard	East	41 M North of Kingston Road	90 M Further North	Anytime

“Parking for Restricted Periods”

(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
Harding Boulevard	East	Kingston Road	41 M North of Kingston Road	8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.	12 Hours
Harding Boulevard	East	50 M North of Kingston Road	Hollis Avenue	8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.	12 Hours
Harding Boulevard	West	Kingston Road	Hollis Avenue	8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. Apr. 1 to Nov. 30	12 Hours

Appendix 2

Regulation to be Enacted
“No Standing”

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days
Harding Boulevard	West	Hollis Avenue	A point 10 Metres south of Hollis Avenue	Anytime
Harding Boulevard	East	Hollis Avenue	A point 16 Metres south of Hollis Avenue	Anytime

“No Parking”

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days
Harding Boulevard	West	A point 10 Metres south of Hollis Avenue	6 Metres further south	Anytime Disabled Excepted
Harding Boulevard	West	A point 16 Metres south of Hollis Avenue	Kingston Road	December 1 to March 31

“Parking for Restricted Periods”

(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
Harding Boulevard	West	A point 16 Metres south of Hollis Avenue	Kingston Road	8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. April 1 to November 30	12 Hours
Harding Boulevard	East	Kingston Road	A point 16 Metres south of Hollis Avenue	8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.	12 Hours