

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Parking Amendments - Sammon Avenue, between Coxwell Avenue and Knight Street

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To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Beaches-East York, Ward 31
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SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is seeking approval from Toronto and East York Community Council to remove one pay-and-display parking space on the north side of Sammon Avenue west of Knight Street.

The proposed changes to the existing parking controls will allow trucks to manoeuvre in and out of the loading ramp to Toronto East General Hospital without affecting the residential properties across the street.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Prohibit stopping at all times, on the north side of Sammon Avenue, from Knight Street to a point 29 metres west of Knight Street.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division 2009 Interim Operating Budget.	\$400.00

The Toronto Parking Authority has advised that the removal of one pay-and-display parking space will result in an annual loss in revenue of approximately \$7,000.00.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of Councillor Janet Davis, on behalf of the Toronto East General Hospital Neighbourhood Advisory Team, Transportation Services assessed the feasibility of amending the existing parking regulations fronting two driveways on Sammon Avenue, just west of Knight Street to allow for improved turning radius for heavy trucks.

COMMENTS

Existing Conditions

Toronto East General Hospital is located on the east side of Coxwell Avenue and is bounded by Mortimer Avenue, Sammon Avenue and Knight Street. Traffic control signals are provided at the intersection of Coxwell Avenue and Sammon Avenue and Coxwell Avenue and Mortimer Avenue.

Sammon Avenue, east of Coxwell Avenue, is a collector road operating two-way on a pavement width of 8.5 metres with a speed limit of 40 km/h. The parking regulations on Sammon Avenue, from Coxwell Avenue to Knight Street are as follows:

North Side:

- No Stopping Anytime from Coxwell Avenue to a point 30.5 metres east;
- No Stopping 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, from a point 30.5 metres east of Coxwell Avenue to a point 26 metres east;
- No Stopping Anytime from a point 56.5 metres east of Coxwell Avenue to a point 74.5 metres east;
- Pay-and-display parking from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from a point 30.5 metres east of Coxwell Avenue to a point 26 metres east, and 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., daily from a point 131 metres east of Coxwell Avenue to Knight Street.
- Parking is otherwise allowed for a maximum period of three hours.

South Side:

• No Parking Anytime.

Concern

The Neighbourhood Advisory Team and Toronto East General Hospital is concerned with the ability of heavy trucks to enter and exit a ramp used for loading and unloading of goods and materials for the hospital. A vehicle parked within the existing pay-and-display space, just west of Knight Street, interferes with turning radius of heavy trucks. As a result, heavy trucks must proceed further south when exiting the ramp and mount the sidewalk on the south side of Sammon Avenue.

Proposal

The proposal, as agreed to by the Neighbourhood Advisory Team, is:

- 1. Remove the existing pay-and-display space, just west of Knight Street.
- 2. Prohibit stopping at all times from Knight Street to a point 29 metres west of Knight Street.

This proposal would improve the turning radius for trucks manoeuvring in and out of the loading ramp. It will impact one pay-and-display parking space.

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