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# STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

# Parking Amendments – 22 South Drive (Rosedale Junior Public School)

Date:	March 5, 2009	
То:	Toronto and East York Community Council	
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District	
Wards:	Toronto Centre-Rosedale, Ward 27	
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## SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval from Toronto and East York Community Council to change the parking regulations in the vicinity of Rosedale Junior Public School located on South Drive, between Park Road and Crescent Road, in order to facilitate a "kiss and ride" program.

# RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

- 1. Rescind the existing 10-minute parking permission on the east side of South Drive, from a point 80 metres south of Crescent Road to a point 42 metres further south, operating from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.
- 2. Rescind the existing parking prohibition on the east side of Park Road from a point 152.4 metres north of Rosedale Valley Road to South Drive that operates from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Monday to Friday.
- 3. Rescind the existing parking prohibition on the north side of Meredith Crescent from Park Road to Mount Pleasant Road that operates from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Monday to Friday.

- 4. Prohibit standing from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., Monday to Friday on the east side of South Drive, from a point 80 metres south of Crescent Road to a point 42 metres further south.
- 5. Allow parking for a maximum period of 10 minutes from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the east side of South Drive, from a point 80 metres south of Crescent Road to a point 42 metres further south.
- 6. Prohibit parking from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Monday to Friday on the east side of Park Road from a point 152.4 metres north of Rosedale Valley Road to South Drive.
- 7. Prohibit parking from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Monday to Friday on the north side of Meredith Crescent from Park Road to Mount Pleasant Road.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division Interim 2009 Operating Budget	\$2000.00

#### **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Councillor Kyle Rae, in consultation with the principal at Rosedale Junior Public School, the Parent Safety Committee, and South Rosedale Ratepayers Association, requested Transportation Services to adjust the current parking restrictions in the vicinity of the school in order to facilitate a "Kiss and Ride" program during the morning drop-off time period.

### COMMENTS

#### **Existing Conditions**

South Drive, between Crescent Road and Park Road, is classified as a local roadway that operates two-way north/south with a pavement width that varies between 6.0 metres and 7.3 metres and a posted speed limit of 40 km/h. There is no transit service on South Drive. Rosedale Junior Public School is located on the east side of the street. The following parking regulations are currently signed on this portion of South Drive:

#### East Side

- No Stopping 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday (Crescent Road to a point 70 metres further south);
- No Parking Anytime (Crescent Road to a point 80 metres further south);
- No Parking Anytime School Bus Loading Zone (a point 70 metres south of Crescent Road to a point 10 metres further south);

- Ten-minute parent pick-up/drop-off (a point 80 metres south of Crescent Road to a point 42 metres further south); and
- No Stopping 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday (a point 122 metres south of Crescent Road to Glen Road).

#### West Side

- No Parking 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday (Crescent Road to a point 55 metres further south); and
- No Stopping 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday (from a point 55 metres south of Crescent Road to Park Road).

As mentioned, this portion of South Drive is approximately 6.0 to 7.3 metres wide which is too narrow to accommodate two-sided parking while maintaining unobstructed two-way traffic flow, particularly during the winter months. Parents, jockeying for prime parking space as close to the school as possible, are creating a serious concern for the school children by stopping vehicles within prohibited areas obstructing traffic, the school driveway, and school buses.

#### **Proposed Changes**

A "Kiss and Ride" program has been suggested during the morning drop-off hours. It allows for the delivery of children close to the school door or playground under the supervision of school staff and/or parent volunteers.

In order to promote the "Kiss and Ride" operation, the current parking regulations within the pick-up/drop-off area must be adjusted to deter parking, but allow for the discharge of passengers. Specifically, the 10-minute parking allowed between 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. will be eliminated and replaced with a "No Standing 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., Monday to Friday" (Kiss and Ride). The remaining hours of operation and prohibitions within the 10 minute parent pick-up/drop-off area will remain unchanged.

Parking on this portion of South Drive during the morning drop-off period will no longer be permitted once the "No Standing 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., M-F" (Kiss and Ride) prohibition is introduced. Parents/guardians wishing to park on South Drive and visit the school during the morning drop-off period must find parking elsewhere. The current parking prohibitions on Park Road and Meredith Crescent (i.e., the neighbouring streets) will be adjusted in order to generate some short term parking for parents wishing to visit the school during the morning drop-off period. Currently, parking is allowed at all times on both Park Road and Meredith Crescent, except between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Monday to Friday. These regulations will be changed to 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Monday to Friday. This parking adjustment should not adversely affect residents living on Park Road and Meredith Crescent.

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#### LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

(1) Drawing No. 421F-9578, dated March 2009

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