



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Daycare Pick-up/Drop-off Area and Short Term Parking – Cowan Avenue

Date:	March 26, 2009
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Davenport, Ward 18
Reference Number:	Ts09057te.top.doc

SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval to designate a “Daycare Pick-up/Drop-off Area”, with short-term parking allowed, on the west side of Cowan Avenue in the vicinity of the St Mark’s Child Care Centre (201 Cowan Avenue).

The pick-up/drop-off area will provide short-term parking opportunities for parents/guardians to accompany children to St. Mark’s Child Care Centre.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Restrict parking to a maximum period of 15 minutes from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the west side of Cowan Avenue, from a point 95 metres south of Queen Street West to a point 20 metres south thereof.

Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services 2009 Operating Budget	\$500.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services staff has investigated a request from the St Mark's Child Care Centre (201 Cowan Avenue), to identify a "Daycare Pick-up/Drop-off Area", with short-term parking to assist parents/guardians picking up and dropping off children attending the daycare centre.

COMMENTS

St. Mark's Child Care Centre (201 Cowan Avenue) is located on the east side of Cowan Avenue, south of Queen Street West. Cowan Avenue is a local roadway operating one-way southbound on a pavement width of 6.1 metres. The posted speed limit is 40 km/h. Stopping is currently prohibited on the east and west sides of Cowan Avenue, from Queen Street West to a point 95 metres further south. Parking is otherwise, prohibited at all times on the east side, with permit parking operating from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily on the west side of Cowan Avenue. Parking is allowed for a maximum period of three hours at all other times. No TTC service provided on Cowan Avenue.

Identifying a "Daycare Pick-up/Drop-off Area" on the west side of Cowan Avenue, between a point 95 metres south of Queen Street West and a point 20 metres further south and allowing parking for a maximum period of 15 minutes from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, is feasible and recommended. A total of three spaces will be provided and the fifteen-minute duration will encourage vehicle turnover.

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