

Stopping Prohibition - Lansdowne Avenue

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To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Davenport, Ward 18
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SUMMARY

Transportation Services is requesting City Council's approval to implement a "No Stopping Anytime" regulation on the west side of Lansdowne Avenue, from Bloor Street West to a point 35 metres south.

The proposed amendment is to deter drivers from parking illegally or stopping to make deliveries in this area. When this occurs it causes congestion at the intersection Lansdowne Avenue at Bloor Street West.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that City Council:

1. Rescind the parking prohibition at all times on both sides of Lansdowne Avenue, from Bloor Street West to a point 42.7 metres south.
2. Rescind the parking prohibition on the west side of Lansdowne Avenue, from Bloor Street West to a point 51.8 metres north of Wade Avenue.
3. Prohibit parking at all times on the east side of Lansdowne Avenue, from Bloor Street West to a point 42.7 metres south.
4. Prohibit stopping at all times on the west side of Lansdowne Avenue, from Bloor Street West to a point 35 metres south.

Financial Impact

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

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of residents of Lansdowne Avenue stemming from a public meeting attended by Councillor Adam Giambrone and City staff, Transportation Services investigated implementing a “No Stopping Anytime” regulation on the west side of Lansdowne Avenue, south of Bloor Street West, to deter drivers from parking illegally and to ease congestion at the intersection Lansdowne Avenue at Bloor Street West.

COMMENTS

Lansdowne Avenue is a major arterial roadway operating two-way on a road width of 11.6 metres. The legal speed limit is 40 km/h. Currently, parking is prohibited at all times on the west side of Lansdowne Avenue from Bloor Street West to a point 35 metres south. There is TTC bus service on Lansdowne Avenue. Residents have complained that motorists either park or stop illegally in this area and constrict the roadway south of the Bloor/Lansdowne intersection at a point where southbound motorists must merge into a single lane of traffic. Traffic backs up at times into the intersection. Prohibiting stopping at all times from Bloor Street West to a point 35 metres south will serve as a greater deterrent to motorist parking/stopping in this area and ease congestion at the intersection Lansdowne Avenue at Bloor Street West.

Our investigation noted that the traffic by-law contains an entry prohibiting parking on the west side of Lansdowne Avenue from a point north of Wade Avenue to Bloor Street West. This regulation does not apply and is redundant. Recommendation No. 2 of this report serves to “housekeep” the by-law and bring it in to line with the signed regulation on the street.

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

(1) Drawing No. 421F-9684 dated May 2009

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