



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Rescind Alternate Side Parking – Albemarle Avenue

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| Date: | August 19, 2009 |
| To: | Toronto and East York Community Council |
| From: | Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York |
| Wards: | Toronto-Danforth, Ward 30 |
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SUMMARY

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

At the request of Councillor Paula Fletcher, on behalf of residents of Albemarle Avenue, Transportation Services is seeking authority to rescind the alternate side parking regulations on Albemarle Avenue and allow parking on one side of the street only.

The amendment is feasible and will not change the number of parking spaces available. However, it will result in a reduced level of street cleaning service on that side of the street where parking is allowed.

The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) does not operate service on Albemarle Avenue.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Rescind the “Alternate Side Parking, 16th day to the last day of each month, April 1 to November 30 inclusive” regulation on the north side of Albemarle Avenue.
2. Rescind the “Alternate Side Parking, first day to the 15th day of each month, April 1 to November 30 inclusive” regulation on the south side of Albemarle Avenue.
3. Rescind the “12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. Permit Parking, all times, except no parking anytime from the first day to the 15th day of each month, from April 1 to

- November 30 inclusive,” regulation on the south side of Albemarle Avenue from a point 43.6 metres east of Hampton Avenue to Logan Avenue.
4. Amend the “12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. Permit Parking, all times, except no parking from the 16th day to the last day of each month, and no parking from December 1 of one year to March 31 of the next following year, inclusive” regulation on the north side of Albemarle Avenue from 74.1 metres east of Hampton Avenue to Logan Avenue to “12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. Permit Parking, all times” except no parking from a point 49.1 metres east of Hampton Avenue to a point 25 metres further east.
 5. Implement a “No Parking Anytime” regulation on the south side of Albemarle Avenue, between Hampton Avenue and Logan Avenue.

Financial Impact

| Type of Funding | Source of Funds | Amount |
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| Available within current budget | Toronto Transportation Services 2009 Operating Budget | \$600.00 |

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Councillor Paula Fletcher has received a petition from Albemarle residents requesting that the alternate side parking regulations on Albemarle Avenue be rescinded and parking be allowed on one side of the street only. Residents wish to eliminate the need to move their vehicles from one side of the street to the other, bi-monthly, from April 1st to November 30th.

COMMENTS

Albemarle Avenue, located south of Danforth Avenue between Logan Avenue and Hampton Avenue, is a local road operating one-way westbound on a pavement width of 6.8 metres. The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) does not operate service on Albemarle Avenue. The alternate side parking system operates on Albemarle Avenue from April 1st to November 30th. The parking regulations posted on Albemarle Avenue are as follows:

North side

- no parking from the 16th day to the last day of each month, April 1st to November 30th, inclusive, and from December 1st to March 31st inclusive;
- no parking anytime between a point 49.1 metres east of Hampton Avenue and a point 25 metres further east;
- permit parking operates between 12:01 a.m. and 7:00 a.m., daily; and
- parking is otherwise allowed for a maximum period of three hours (unsigned).

South side

- no parking first day to the 15th day of each month, April 1st to November 30th, inclusive;
- no parking anytime between a point 37 metres east of Hampton Avenue and a point 30.5 metres further east;
- permit parking operates between 12:01 a.m. and 7:00 a.m., daily; and
- parking is otherwise allowed for a maximum period of three hours (unsigned).

It is feasible to rescind the alternate side parking regulations on Albemarle Avenue to allow parking on one side of the street only. The change would however result in a reduced level of street cleaning service. The main purpose of alternate side parking is to provide mechanical sweeping to both sides of the street between spring and fall. Streets having parking on one side of the street only, with the exception of the open unparked areas, cannot be cleaned mechanically. These streets require manual cleaning around parked vehicles, a slow and labour intensive operation that is not as effective as mechanical sweeping and occurs less often.

There are approximately 35 parking spaces on each side of Albemarle Avenue. Rescinding the alternate side parking regulations to allow parking on the north side of the street only will not reduce the number of on-street parking spaces or available parking permits.

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