

Proposed Parking Amendment – Dalhousie Street, North of Dundas Street East

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To:	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 prohibit stopping at all times on both sides of Dalhousie Street from Dundas Street East to a point 54 metres further north in order to deter parking and improve unobstructed two-way traffic flow within this section of roadway.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Rescind the existing “No Parking Anytime” prohibition on the east side of Dalhousie Street from Dundas Street East and a point approximately 35 metres north.
2. Adjust the existing “No Stopping Anytime” prohibition on the east side of Dalhousie Street from a point 35 metres north of Dundas Street East to Gould Street to apply from Dundas Street East to Gould Street.
3. Adjust the existing “No Parking Anytime” prohibition on the west side of Dalhousie Street from Queen Street East to a point 54 metres north of Dundas Street East to apply from Queen Street East to Dundas Street East.
4. Adjust the existing “No Stopping Anytime” prohibition on the west side of Dalhousie Street from a point 54 metres north of Queen Street East to a point 16

metres further north to apply from Dundas Street East to a point 70 metres further north.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division Interim 2009 Operating Budget	\$500.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of Councillor Kyle Rae, Transportation Services was asked to adjust the current parking regulation on both sides of Dalhousie Street, just north of Dundas Street East to deter parking and promote unobstructed two-way traffic flow.

COMMENTS

Dalhousie Street, between Dundas Street East and Gould Street is classified as a local roadway operating two-way (northbound and southbound) from Dundas Street East to a point 54 metres north, and operates one-way northbound for the remaining section to Gould Street. This section of Dalhousie Street has two lay-bys on the west side of the street, has a pavement width that varies from 5.5 metres to 7.8 metres and has a posted speed limit of 40km/h.

The following parking regulations are currently signed on this section of Dalhousie Street:

East Side

- parking is prohibited at all times from Dundas Street East to a point 35 metres north; and
- stopping is prohibited at all times from 35 metres north of Dundas Street East to Gould Street.

West Side

- parking is prohibited at all times from Dundas Street East to a point 54 metres north;
- Pay and display parking is allowed for a maximum period of three hours from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday, and 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday (within the lay-bys); and
- stopping is prohibited at all times (between the lay-bys).

Transportation Services was recently requested by Councillor Rae's office, in consultation with area residents, to amend the current parking regulations on both sides of Dalhousie Street, within the two-way portion north of Dundas Street East to deter long term parking and promote unobstructed two-way traffic flow on this street. Parking is currently prohibited at all times within this two-way section of Dalhousie Street at all

times on both sides of the street. This allows for disabled parking and loading/unloading opportunity. The roadway is not wide enough within this section of Dalhousie Street to safely accommodate parking on both sides and two-way unobstructed traffic flow. Field investigations recently conducted by Transportation Services staff confirm this safety concern.

In this regard, the parking restriction on both sides of Dalhousie Street (north of Dundas Street East) within the two-way portion can be amended to a “No Stopping Anytime” prohibition to deter long term parking and to promote unobstructed two-way traffic flow. Disabled parking and loading/unloading opportunity will be lost as a result. While the loss of disabled parking and loading/unloading opportunity will be an inconvenience, the enhancement to overall operational safety on this section of Dalhousie Street should take precedence.

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