



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Rangoon Road - Parking Regulation Amendments

Date:	March 29, 2010
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 3 - Etobicoke Centre
Reference Number:	p:\2010\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc100057-to

SUMMARY

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

The purpose of this report is to obtain approvals to reduce the existing school bus loading zone located on the west side of Rangoon Road, in front of Briarcrest Junior School, and to introduce short-term (ten minute maximum) parking on the west side of Rangoon Road, in the vicinity of the school.

The revised school bus loading zone will accommodate existing school bus requirements. The proposed ten minute parking restriction allows parents/guardians to legally park on-street for a short duration while they pick-up/drop-off students.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

1. Rescinding the School Bus Loading Zone on the west side of Rangoon, between a point 25 metres north of Wellesworth Drive, and a point 41 metres north thereof.
2. Enacting a School Bus Loading Zone on the west side of Rangoon, between a point 30 metres north of Wellesworth Drive, and a point 27 metres further north.
3. Rescinding the "No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday" prohibition on both sides of Rangoon Road, between Wellesworth Drive and a point 146.5 metres north thereof.

4. Enacting a “10 Minute, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” parking regulation on the west side of Rangoon Road, between Wellesworth Drive and a point 30 metres further north thereof.
5. Enacting a “10 Minute, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” parking regulation on the west side of Rangoon Road, between a point 57 metres north of Wellesworth Drive, and a point 89.5 metres further north.
6. Enacting a “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday” prohibition on the east side of Rangoon Road, between Wellesworth Drive and a point 146.5 metres further north.

Financial Impact

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

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The principal of Briarcrest Junior School at 60 Wellesworth Drive, requests that Transportation Services consider reducing the length of the school bus loading zone located on the west side Rangoon Road. The change is required due to the gradual decline in the number of school buses that visit the school. The principal also requests introducing a “10 Minute, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” parking regulation on the west side of Rangoon Road, between Wellesworth Drive and the north limit of the school property.

A map of the area is Attachment 1.

COMMENTS

Rangoon Road is a 9.3 metre wide two-lane local road with sidewalks on both sides of the street and a legal speed limit of 40 km/h. It is located south of Eglinton Avenue West, east of Renforth Drive. Briarcrest Junior School is located on the north side of Wellesworth Drive, just west of Rangoon Road.

Parking is currently prohibited between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on both sides of Rangoon Road, as well as on both sides of Wellesworth Drive, in the vicinity of the school. Parking is prohibited anytime on both sides of Wellesworth Drive between Rangoon Road and Bradbury Crescent. The City –wide three-hour parking limit applies at all other times.

Given that just two full size school buses now service Briarcrest Junior School, and that the existing school bus loading zone can accommodate up to four buses, a shorter zone is more appropriate to accommodate existing demand. This being the case, staff recommends reducing the size of this bus loading zone on the west side of Rangoon Road, from 41 metres to 27 metres.

Parking is not currently permitted on either side of the two streets bordering the school. Since on-site visitor parking is minimal, we also recommend removing the current parking prohibition on the west side of school's Rangoon Road frontage, replacing it with "10 minute, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday" parking restriction. The existing parking prohibition on the east side of Rangoon Road, opposite the school, will remain.

The proposed parking regulations provides for short-term on-street parking on the west side of Rangoon Road, abutting the school property. These amendments allow parents/guardians to park for short durations and walk their children into the school; furthermore, a corner parking prohibition 15 metres in length will be installed on the west side of Rangoon Road, north of Wellesworth Drive, to address any concerns with vehicles parking too close to the Wellesworth Drive/Rangoon Road intersection.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1:	Map
Attachment 2:	Aerial Photo
Attachment 3:	Photo