



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Holland Park Avenue – One-Way to Two-Way Operation

Date:	July 8, 2010
To:	Etobicoke and York Community Council
From:	Acting Director, Transportation Services Etobicoke and York
Wards:	Ward 17 - Davenport,
Reference Number:	p:\2010\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc100114-to

SUMMARY

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

The purpose of this report is to propose converting a section of Holland Park Avenue, just west of Oakwood Avenue, from one-way westbound to two-way westbound and eastbound operation.

The proposed two-way operation will improve access to the property owners and businesses on the corner of Holland Park Avenue and Oakwood Avenue and, at the same time, remedy the illegal eastbound movements occurring on Holland Park Avenue as well as discourage trucks from travelling through the residential area.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

1. Rescinding the existing one-way westbound operation on Holland Park Avenue, between Oakwood Avenue and Glenholme Avenue.
2. Enacting a one-way westbound operation on Holland Park Avenue, between Glenholme Avenue and a point 40 metres west of Oakwood Avenue.
3. Implementing and rescinding the parking regulations as outlined in the attached Appendix A.

Financial Impact

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

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Etobicoke York Community Council at its meeting on June 17, 2010, received and adopted a motion (decision EY39.46) from Councillor Cesar Palacio requesting the Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District, "...to report back to the Etobicoke York Community Council at the August 17, 2010 meeting, on the possibility of converting the portion of Holland Park Avenue, between Oakwood Avenue and a point 35 metres west of Oakwood Avenue from one-way (westbound) to two-way traffic operation."

This request seeks to assist the property owners and businesses on the corners of Holland Park Avenue and Oakwood Avenue to create a safe access (on the minor road) for delivery vehicles. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

COMMENTS

Holland Park Avenue is a 7.3 metre wide one-way westbound local road, between Oakwood Avenue (minor arterial road) and Glenholme Avenue (local road) with a posted speed limit of 30 kilometres per hour (speed humps). The road provides access for single family homes and some commercial properties at the northwest and southwest corners of Holland Park Avenue and Oakwood Avenue.

The commercial properties at the northwest and southwest corners of the intersection have access for delivery vehicles on Holland Park Avenue. When leaving the commercial properties, delivery vehicles are required to travel westbound through the residential portion of Holland Park Avenue and the crossing local road (Glenholme Avenue) to get back on the arterial roads. Recent observations revealed that some vehicles leaving these commercial properties illegally use Holland Park Avenue in the eastbound direction to get directly back to Oakwood Avenue.

Given our observations, it would be preferable to legalize the activity of delivery vehicles exiting the commercial properties by designating a small section of Holland Park Avenue to two-way operation from Oakwood Avenue to a point 40 metres to the west.

Converting the section of Holland Park Avenue from Oakwood Avenue to a point 40 metres west of Oakwood Avenue to two-way traffic operation will improve access to the commercial properties at the northwest and southwest corners of the Holland Park Avenue/Oakwood Avenue intersection and eliminate the illegal eastbound movements occurring on Holland Park Avenue. This proposal will not significantly impact residents on Holland Park Avenue but will require the following traffic regulation changes to accommodate two-way operation:

- prohibiting parking on both sides of Holland Park Avenue, from Oakwood Avenue to a point 40 metres further west (bylaw amendment)
- installing stop sign at the southwest corner of Holland Park Avenue from Oakwood Avenue facing eastbound traffic (bylaw amendment not required)

It is necessary to prohibit parking in this area as now that the road will be accommodating two-way traffic, the road width is not sufficient enough to retain parking on one side of the street. This will result in the loss of two or three spaces.

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ATTACHMENTS

Appendix A:	Implementing and rescinding the parking regulations
Attachment 1:	Map

Appendix A

Parking Regulations to be Rescinded

Chapter 925, Permit Parking – Schedule A

Street	Side	Location	Period	Time
Holland Park Avenue	Even	Lauder Avenue to Oakwood Avenue	All times, except no parking from 7:00 p.m. 1 st day to 7:00 p.m. on the 16 th day of each month, inclusive, Apr. 1 to Dec. 1, inclusive and no parking anytime from 7:00 p.m. Dec 1 of one year to 7:00 p.m. Apr. 1 of the next following year, inclusive	12:00 Midnight to 6:00 a.m.
Holland Park Avenue	Odd	Lauder Avenue to Oakwood Avenue	All times, except no parking from 7:00 p.m. on the 16 th day of each month to 7:00 p.m. On the 1 st day of each Month, inclusive, Apr. 1 to Dec. 1, inclusive	12:00 Midnight to 6:00 a.m.

Parking Regulations to be Implemented

Chapter 925, Permit Parking – Schedule A

Street	Side	Location	Period	Time
Holland Park Avenue	Even	Lauder Avenue to a point 40 metres west of Oakwood Avenue	All times, except no parking from 7:00 p.m. 1 st day to 7:00 p.m. on the 16 th day of each month, inclusive, Apr. 1 to Dec. 1, inclusive and no parking anytime from 7:00 p.m. Dec 1 of one year to 7:00 p.m. Apr. 1 of the next following year, inclusive	12:00 Midnight to 6:00 a.m.
Holland Park Avenue	Odd	Lauder Avenue to a point 40 metres west of Oakwood Avenue	All times, except no parking from 7:00 p.m. on the 16 th day of each month to 7:00 p.m. On the 1 st day of each Month, inclusive, Apr. 1 to Dec. 1, inclusive	12:00 Midnight to 6:00 a.m.

No Parking

Highway	Side	Between	Prohibited Times or Days
Holland Park Avenue	North	Oakwood Avenue and a point 40 metres west of it	Anytime
Holland Park Avenue	South	Oakwood Avenue and a point 40 metres west of it	Anytime