

School Bus Loading Zone: St. Paschal Court

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To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Division, North York District
Wards:	Ward 23 - Willowdale
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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that the Community Council has delegated authority to make a final decision provided that it is not amended so that it varies with City policy or by-laws.

To obtain approval to implement a school bus loading zone on the east side of St. Paschal Court from a point 40.0 metres north of Moore Park Avenue to a point 20.0 metres north thereof.

The implementation of a school bus loading zone on the east side of Paschal Court will improve school bus operations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services Division, North York Districts recommends that North York Community Council:

1. Amend By-law No. 32759, of the former City of North York, to install a School Bus Loading Zone on the east side of St. Paschal Court from a point 40 metres north of Moore Park Avenue to a point 20 metres north thereof.

Financial Impact

All costs associated with the installation of a School Bus Loading are included within the Transportation Services Division's 2010 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Transportation Services Division, North York District, has reviewed a request from the Principal of St. Paschal Baylon School to review the feasibility of providing a School Bus Loading Zone on the east side of St. Paschal Court. Concerns were brought forward that parked vehicles on St. Paschal Court were obstructing curb-side school bus operations.

COMMENTS

St. Paschal Baylon School is located on the north east corner of St. Paschal Court, 58 metres north of Moore Park Avenue.

Currently, parking is permitted for a maximum period of three hours on both sides of St. Paschal Court.

Staff observations have verified that when parents stop their vehicles on the east side of St. Paschal Court to pick-up or drop-off children, school buses have to wait for a parking space and frequently have to choose another place for pick-up or drop-off further away in a no stopping zone.

In view of the above, this division supports the installation of a school bus loading zone on the east side of the road located immediately south of the main driveway entrance to the school. The provision of a school bus loading zone on St. Paschal Court would considerably improve the overall level of safety for students during pick-up and drop-off activities as well as reduce congestion and confusion within the on-site parking lot.

The creation of a school bus loading zone at this location would not have a negative impact on the availability of on-street parking for residents.

Councillor John Filion has been advised of the recommendations contained within this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – St Paschal Court; School Bus Loading Zone (*ny10064_map*)