

Heavy Truck Prohibitions: Gateway Boulevard

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То:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Division, North York District
Wards:	Ward 26 – Don Valley West
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SUMMARY

Since the Toronto Transit Commission operates a transit service on Gateway Boulevard, City Council approval of this report is required.

To obtain approval to remove the no heavy truck restrictions on Gateway Boulevard between Grenoble Drive (north intersection) and Grenoble Drive (south intersection) in order to permit school buses to park on the road for maximum period of three hours.

The removal of the no heavy truck restriction on Gateway Boulevard between the north and south intersections of Grenoble Drive will facilitate short term parking for operators of school buses.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services Division, North York District, recommends that City Council:

- 1. Amend Schedule XX, of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, to delete the no heavy truck at anytime prohibition on Gateway Boulevard from the easterly limit of Don Mills Road to the easterly limit of Don Mills Road;
- 2. Amend Schedule XX, of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, to install no heavy truck at anytime prohibitions on Gateway Boulevard from Don Mills Road (north intersection) to Grenoble Drive (north intersection); and

3. Amend Schedule XX, of By-law No. 31001, of the former City of North York, to install no heavy truck at anytime prohibitions on Gateway Boulevard from Don Mills Road (south intersection) to Grenoble Drive (south intersection).

Financial Impact

All costs associated with amending the no heavy truck restrictions are included within the Transportation Services Division's 2010 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services Division, North York District, was requested by Councillor John Parker on behalf of an area resident that operates a school bus to review the feasibility of removing no heavy truck restrictions on a portion of Gateway Boulevard. As school buses are classified as heavy trucks under the Highway Traffic Act, the removal of the heavy truck restrictions on a portion of Gateway would permit school buses to park on the road for maximum periods of three hours.

COMMENTS

Currently, parking is permitted for a maximum period of three hours on both sides of Gateway Boulevard between the north and south intersections of Grenoble Drive.

There are two public schools, and Gateway Public School, located on Grenoble Drive and Gateway Boulevard area. The school bus drivers of and Gateway Public School park their vehicles on Gateway Boulevard during school hours and are being tagged by City of Toronto parking enforcement staff due to restrictions of heavy vehicles on Gateway Boulevard.

In view of the above, this division supports the removal of the heavy truck restrictions on Gateway Boulevard between the north and south intersections of Grenoble Drive. Heavy

truck restrictions would remain on the sections of Gateway Boulevard between Don Mills Road and Grenoble Drive. In order to permit school buses to be parked for three hour periods, the removal of the heavy truck restrictions would not have a negative impact on the flow of traffic on Gateway Boulevard.

Councillor John Parker supports the recommendations contained within this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – Gateway Boulevard (ny10097_map)