



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Proposed Stopping Prohibitions - Progress Avenue

Date:	January 20, 2010
To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Acting Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 42 – Scarborough Rouge River
Reference Number:	P:\2010\Cluster B\TRA\Scarborough\sc1013 D09-3401504 Progress Ave stopping prohibitions

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which the Community Council does not have delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

This report responds to a petition generated by area residents requesting stricter parking regulations on several local streets in their neighbourhood including Progress Avenue.

The implementation of a “No Stopping Anytime” prohibition along the west side of Progress Avenue, from Milner Avenue to Sheppard Avenue East, will address residents concerns regarding excessive parking abuses along this minor arterial roadway.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, Scarborough District, recommends that Scarborough Community Council recommend that City Council:

1. Enact the stopping regulation(s), as identified in Appendix 1 of this report.
2. Amend the appropriate by-law(s) accordingly.

Financial Impact

The financial cost of installing these parking prohibition signs is approximately \$1,700.00. Funding for the signs is available in the Transportation Services 2010 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

As a result of a petition signed by the area residents of the Agincourt South-Malvern West community, the local councillor has requested Transportation Services to review the feasibility of stricter parking regulations along Progress Avenue between Sheppard Avenue East and Milner Avenue.

Area residents have indicated that the majority of the vehicles parked on the west side of Progress Avenue in this vicinity are primarily area office workers and daily commuters. These parked vehicles restrict access to private driveways and impede the safe and efficient flow of two-way traffic along Progress Avenue.

COMMENTS

Several characteristics describing the subject portion of Progress Avenue include:

- This section of Progress Avenue is located north of Milner Avenue, south of Sheppard Avenue East and east of Markham Road.
- The land use on west side of Progress Avenue is comprised of single family dwellings, townhouses and condominium apartments under construction.
- The Scarborough Community Centre and the Scarborough Public Library is located on the south east corner of Sheppard Avenue East and Progress Avenue.
- Rosebank Park with a playground and four public basketball courts is located on the east side of Progress Avenue and Rosebank Drive.
- Progress Avenue is classified as a minor arterial roadway with an anticipated daily traffic of between 8,000 and 20,000 vehicles per day.
- Progress Avenue has a posted speed limit of 50 km/h between Sheppard Avenue East and Milner Avenue.
- Parking up to a maximum of three hours is permitted on both sides of Progress Avenue between Sheppard Avenue East and Milner Avenue.
- Staff confirmed that vehicles parked on the west side of Progress Avenue between Rosebank Drive and Milner Avenue and that these parked vehicles had the potential to restrict the safe and efficient flow of two-way traffic along Progress Avenue.

It is worthwhile to note that Progress Avenue from Sheppard Avenue East to Milner Avenue is intended to be part of the City of Toronto's bicycle network. As a result, Transportation Services recommends implementing the "No Stopping Anytime" prohibitions in order to be consistent with the future installation of bicycle lanes along Progress Avenue.

By implementing the "No Stopping Anytime" prohibitions along this portion of Progress Avenue both residents and bicyclist safety will be addressed.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Appendix 1 – By-Law Amendment (enact)
2. Location Plan (Proposed "No Stopping Anytime" Prohibitions–Progress Avenue)

Appendix 1

“No Stopping”
Regulation to be Enacted

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days
Progress Avenue	West	Milner Avenue	Sheppard Avenue East	Anytime