



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Proposed Parking Regulation Amendments on the East Side of Gooderham Drive between Lawrence Avenue East and Brian Avenue

Date:	May 20, 2010
To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 37 – Scarborough Centre
Reference Number:	P:\2010\Cluster B\TRA\Scarborough\sc1054 D10-3703069 Gooderham parking regulation

SUMMARY

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

This report responds to a concern about lack of parking regulations on the east sides of Gooderham Drive between Lawrence Avenue East and Brian Avenue. Staff has confirmed the need for parking regulations in order to maintain safe and efficient two-way traffic, adequate sight lines while enabling roadway maintenance. In addition the area residents have expressed their support for the parking regulations in the form of a petition.

It is recommended that Transportation Services install “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday” from 62 metres north of Lawrence Avenue East to Brian Avenue. The current “No Parking” regulation posted on the east side of Gooderham Drive from Lawrence Avenue East to 65 metres further north is to be replaced with a “No Standing, Anytime” regulation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Rescind the parking regulations, as identified in Appendix 1 of this report.
2. Enact the parking regulations, as identified in Appendix 2 of this report.
3. Pass or amend the appropriate by-law(s) accordingly.

Financial Impact

The financial cost of installing these parking prohibition signs is approximately \$2,500.00. Funding for the signs is available in the Transportation Services 2010 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Further to a concern raised by residents and the local councillor about the lack of parking regulation on the east side of Gooderham Drive, Transportation Services staff reviewed the current parking conditions on this roadway for the feasibility of removing parking on the east side of Gooderham Drive between Lawrence Avenue East and Brian Avenue. Specifically, the councillor expressed concerns about the frequency and duration of long term parking observed on the east side of Gooderham Drive, in direct proximity to Lawrence Avenue East, the subsequent impacts on the surrounding residents, the negative effects on two-way traffic, and the need to facilitate roadway maintenance such as snow removal.

COMMENTS

Several characteristics describing the subject portion of Gooderham Drive include:

- The land use on Gooderham Drive immediately north of Lawrence Avenue East is single family dwellings.
- Gooderham Drive is a two-lane north-south local road.
- Gooderham Drive has a pavement width of approximately 8.5 metres.
- Our observations revealed frequent on-street parking in the current “No Parking, Anytime” regulation posted on the east side from Lawrence Avenue East and 65 metres further north.
- The portion of the east side of Gooderham Drive from 65 metres north of Lawrence Avenue East to Brian Avenue is currently unregulated and defaults to a three hour parking limit.
- The west side of Gooderham Drive from Lawrence Avenue East to Brian Avenue is regulated by a “No Parking Anytime” prohibition.

It is recommended that Transportation Services install “No Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” on the east side of Gooderham Drive from 62 metres north of Lawrence Avenue east to Brian Avenue. In addition, the current “No Parking Anytime” prohibition from Lawrence Avenue East to 65 metres further north is to be replaced with a “No Standing Anytime” prohibition. This will enhance safe and efficient two-way traffic on this roadway, facilitate snow removal and provide adequate sight lines for motorist exiting driveways on the east sides of Gooderham Drive.

We anticipate that the parking regulations will enhance safety for pedestrians and motorists.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Appendix 1 – By-law Amendments (rescind)
2. Appendix 2 – By-law Amendments (enact)
3. Location Plan – Proposed Parking Regulations, East Side of Gooderham Drive between Lawrence Avenue East and Brian Avenue.

Appendix 1

“No Parking” Regulation to be Rescinded

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days
Gooderham Drive	East	Lawrence Avenue	65m further north	Anytime

Appendix 2

“No Standing” Regulation to be Enacted

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days
Gooderham Drive	East	Lawrence Avenue East	62 metres north of Lawrence Avenue East	Anytime

“No Parking” Regulation to be Enacted

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days
Gooderham Drive	East	62 metres north of Lawrence Avenue East	Brian Avenue	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday except public holidays