TORONTO STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Parking Amendments – Sheard Street

Date:	December 11, 2009	
То:	Toronto and East York Community Council	
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District	
Wards:	Toronto Centre-Rosedale, Ward 27	
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SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval from Toronto and East York Community Council to change the parking regulations on both sides of Sheard Street, from Granby Street to McGill Street in order to deter parking and improve unobstructed traffic flow within this section of roadway. There is no transit service on Sheard Street.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

- 1. Rescind the current "No Parking Anytime" prohibition on both sides of Sheard Street, from Granby Street to McGill Street.
- 2. Prohibit stopping at all times on both sides of Sheard Street, from Granby Street to McGill Street.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division 2010 Interim Operating Budget	\$1,000.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of Councillor Kyle Rae, Transportation Services was asked to adjust the existing parking regulation on both sides of Sheard Street to deter parking and promote unobstructed traffic flow.

COMMENTS

Sheard Street (Granby Street to McGill Street) is classified as a local roadway operating one-way southbound and has a pavement width of 7.3 metres. The speed limit is 50 km/h.

High-rise apartment buildings occupy the west side of the street and Joseph Sheard Parkette occupies the entire east side of the street. Parking is currently prohibited at all times on both sides of Sheard Street.

Transportation Services was recently requested by Councillor Rae's office, to amend the parking regulations on both sides of Sheard Street to deter long term parking and promote unobstructed traffic flow on this street. As mentioned, parking is currently prohibited at all times on this street. However, disabled parking and loading/unloading is allowed. The roadway is not wide enough on Sheard Street to safely accommodate parking on both sides of the street and two-way traffic.

The parking restriction on both sides of Sheard Street can be amended to a "No Stopping Anytime" prohibition to deter long term parking and to promote unobstructed traffic flow. Disabled parking and loading/unloading opportunities will be lost as a result. While the loss of disabled parking and loading/unloading will be an inconvenience, the enhancement to overall operational safety on this section of Sheard Street should take precedence.

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

(1) Drawing No. 421F-9874, dated December 2009

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