



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Stopping Prohibition - Montclair Avenue

Date:	December 8, 2009
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	St. Paul's, Ward 22
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SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is recommending that a “No Stopping Anytime” corner restriction be implemented on both sides of Montclair Avenue, immediately east of Spadina Road. The proposed amendment is to deter drivers from parking illegally on Montclair Avenue within 9 metres of Spadina Road and to improve operations of this intersection.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Prohibit stopping at all times on both sides of Montclair Avenue, from Spadina Road to a point 9 metres east.
2. Rescind the one-hour maximum parking regulation in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily, on the north side of Montclair Avenue, from Spadina Road to the east end.
3. Allow parking for a maximum period of one-hour from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily, on the north side of Montclair Avenue, from Spadina Road to the east end.

Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Interim 2010 Operating Budget	\$500.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of Councillor Michael Walker, on behalf of area residents, Transportation Services has investigated implementing a “No Stopping Anytime” regulation on Montclair Avenue immediately east of Spadina Road, to deter drivers from parking illegally and to improve the operations of this intersection.

COMMENTS

Montclair Avenue, from Spadina Road to its east end, is a local roadway that operates two-way on a pavement width of 7.3 metres and with a maximum speed limit of 40 km/h. A “Stop” sign controls traffic entry onto Spadina Road from Montclair Avenue. There is no TTC service on Montclair Avenue.

The following parking regulations are listed within the by-law on Montclair Avenue, between Spadina Road and the east end:

North side

- Parking is prohibited from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Monday to Friday.
- Parking is allowed for a maximum period of one hour from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily (however, it is signed for one hour 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily).

South side

- Parking is prohibited at anytime.

The overnight permit parking system does not operate on this section of Montclair Avenue.

Investigation

We recently undertook two mid-day site visits to the intersection of Spadina Road and Montclair Avenue. During the times of our visits to this location, we did not witness any motorists parking illegally on either side of Montclair Avenue within the statutory 9 metre corner parking restriction.

As part of our evaluation we also reviewed the Toronto Police Service collision records at the intersection of Spadina Road and Montclair Avenue, over a three-year period ending August 31, 2009. Over this time period, four reported collisions occurred at this

intersection, two of which involved motorist's vehicles that were legally parked on the north side of Montclair Avenue, east of Spadina Road.

During the course of our investigation it was noted that there is an outdated parking regulation within Chapter 400 of the former City of Toronto Municipal Code. To correct this error, Recommendation Nos. 2 and 3 should be approved.

Conclusion

Although our site visits did not reveal that any illegal corner parking is occurring on either side of Montclair Avenue, east of Spadina Road, due to the high demand for parking in the "Spadina Village" area, it is likely that some illegal parking does occur at times on Montclair Avenue, near the intersection. As this is likely the case, we have no objections to implementing a 9-metre stopping prohibition on both sides of Montclair Avenue, east of Spadina Road, to help ensure that the mouth of the intersection remains clear of parked vehicles. This will not result in the loss of any legal parking spaces.

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