



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Lane Designation – William R. Allen Road at Eglinton Avenue West

Date:	February 10, 2010
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	St. Paul’s, Ward 21
Reference Number:	Ts10015te.top.doc.

SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting to designate the two southbound lanes of William R. Allen Road at Eglinton Avenue West for right-turning and left-turning vehicles, to assist Toronto Police Service in their traffic enforcement.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that the Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Designate the easterly southbound lane on William R. Allen Road for left-turning vehicles, between Eglinton Avenue West and a point 300 metres north.
2. Designate the westerly southbound lane on William R. Allen Road for right-turning vehicles, between Eglinton Avenue West and a point 300 metres north.

Financial Impact

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

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Toronto Police Service requested Transportation Services to review the feasibility of designating the two southbound lanes of William R. Allen Road (Allen Road) at Eglinton Avenue West for right-turning and left-turning vehicles, to assist them in their traffic enforcement.

COMMENTS

The intersection of Allen Road and Eglinton Avenue West is signalized. There is no TTC service on this section of Allen Road. Southbound Allen Road ends at this intersection and is comprised of a right-turn lane and a left-turn lane. These lanes are currently marked with pavement marking arrows and advisory black and yellow lane designation signs. Toronto Police Service have advised us that southbound motorists often “queue-jump” the southbound queues at this location as they drive in the lane with a smaller queue and then cut into the adjacent lane just before Eglinton Avenue West.

The designation of these two lanes for right-turning and left-turning vehicles would enable us to install regulatory black and white lane designation signs, which would assist Police in enforcing the lane designations under the Ontario Highway Traffic Act. Currently, two sets of lane designation advisory signs, which are not enforceable, are installed. If approved, three sets of lane designation regulatory signs would be installed.

Councillor Mihevc has been advised about this proposal.

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

- (1) Drawing No. 421F-9907 - dated February 2010

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