



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Disabled Loading Zone – Spadina Avenue, west side, in front of No. 750 Spadina Avenue

Date:	April 15, 2010,
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Trinity-Spadina, Ward 20
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SUMMARY

Transportation Services has received a request from the Miles Nadal Jewish Community Centre, 750 Spadina Avenue to investigate the feasibility of installing a disabled loading zone on the west side of Spadina Avenue, south of Bloor Street West to facilitate the pick-up/drop-off of patrons of the centre.

Implementation of this measure will help keep a section of the curb area in front of No. 750 Spadina Avenue clear of vehicles, improving opportunities for disabled passenger pick-up/drop-off at this location.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that City Council:

1. Approve installation of a “Disabled Loading Zone”, on the west side of Spadina Avenue, from a point 33 metres south of Bloor Street West to a point 11 metres further south.

Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division 2010 Operating Budget	\$400.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of the Miles Nadal Jewish Community Centre, Transportation Services investigated the possibility of installing a loading zone for disabled persons, fronting No. 750 Spadina Avenue, to facilitate pick-up/drop-off of patrons of the centre.

COMMENTS

Parking and Road Operation

Spadina Avenue, south of Bloor Street West, operates two-way on a pavement width of 22 metres. Parking is prohibited at anytime on the west side of this section of Spadina Avenue. Signs giving affect to the parking regulations are posted and clearly visible. The T.T.C operates the 510 streetcar daily on this section of Spadina Avenue.

Investigation

Parked vehicles on the west side of Spadina Avenue in front of No. 750 Spadina Avenue periodically prevent WheelTrans buses pulling up against the curb to load/unload disabled persons. These buses are frequently left with no convenient area in which to stop momentarily. Drivers must resort to double-parking, creating a potentially hazardous situation for motorists, passengers and themselves or stop some distance away from the entrance to 750 Spadina Avenue, creating an inconvenience for disabled passengers.

Resolution

Designating an on-street loading zone for disabled persons on the west side of Spadina Avenue, from a point 33 metres south of Bloor Street West to a point 11 metres further south is recommended. There will be no loss of parking spaces on the west side of Spadina Avenue as parking is currently prohibited at all times.

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