



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Parking Amendments - Mount Pleasant Road (East Branch), between Balliol Street and Davisville Avenue

Date:	May 27, 2010
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 been delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services is requesting approval to designate a “Student Pick-up/Drop-off Area”, with a “No Parking 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” regulation, on the east side of the East Branch of Mount Pleasant Road, adjacent to Greenwood College. This temporal parking prohibition, coupled with advisory “Student Pick-up/Drop-off Area,” signs will provide an area where parents/guardians can stop momentarily while in the process of picking-up and dropping-off students at the school.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Rescind the existing “1-hour maximum parking, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, except Public Holidays” regulation, on the east side of the East Branch of Mount Pleasant Road, from Balliol Street to a point 53 metres south of Davisville Avenue.
2. Prohibit parking, from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the east side of the East Branch of Mount Pleasant Road, from a point 15 metres north of Balliol Street, to a point 36 metres further north.

Financial Impact

Funds in the amount of \$600.00 for the installation of signs are available within the Transportation Services Division 2010 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services' staff has investigated a request from Councillor Michael Walker, on behalf of representatives of Greenwood College, to prohibit parking during the daytime periods, on a section of the East Branch of Mount Pleasant Road, between Davisville Avenue and Balliol Street. This area would be identified as a "Student Pick-up/Drop-off Area" to assist parents picking up and dropping off children at Greenwood College.

COMMENTS

The East Branch of Mount Pleasant Road, from Balliol Street to Davisville Avenue, operates two-way from Balliol Street to a point 57 metres further north and then operates one-way northbound from the laneway located mid-block to Davisville Avenue. This section is a 104 metre stretch of roadway that operates on a pavement width of 7.3 metres and with a maximum speed limit of 40 km/h. There is no TTC service on this section of roadway. The main frontage of the Greenwood College is located on the east side of the East Branch of Mount Pleasant Road and occupies the section of roadway between the mid-block laneway and Davisville Avenue. Auxiliary buildings operated by Greenwood College occupy the remainder of the east side of the East Branch of Mount Pleasant Road.

The following parking regulations are in effect on the East Branch of Mount Pleasant Road, adjacent to the school:

East side:

- "No Parking Anytime, from Davisville Avenue to a point 48 metres south;
- "No Standing Anytime" from Balliol Street to a point 15 metres north;
- "1-hour maximum parking, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, except Public Holidays"; from Balliol Street to a point 53 metres south of Davisville Avenue.

West side

- "No Stopping, Anytime".

Presently, a "Student Pick-up/Drop-off Area", with a "No Parking Anytime" regulation operates on the east side of the East Branch of Mount Pleasant Road, from Davisville Avenue, to the mid-block laneway, located approximately 48 metres further south. Since Greenwood College now occupies all of the previously residential buildings on the East Branch of Mount Pleasant Road, in addition to the current "Student Pick-up/Drop-off Area", they require more curb space in order to accommodate parents' and guardians' demands to park momentarily while picking up and dropping off children attending the

school. Representatives of Greenwood College have requested that the remainder of the east side of the roadway be designated with a “No Parking, from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” regulation.

The implementation of the proposed “No Parking” regulation, during the operational periods of the school, is an efficient way to allow for quick pick ups and drop offs of students, without creating an environment where motorists could park and enter the school. Further, the “No Parking” regulation encourages greater turnover of motorists, creates less roadway congestion as parents/guardians picking up and dropping off students do not have to compete for curb space with motorists whose vehicles may be parked while they are inside the school, and is recommended by staff.

Councillor Walker has been consulted in regard to this matter.

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