



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

No Stopping and Permitted Parking Regulations Study – East Avenue and Island Road

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To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 44 – Scarborough East
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SUMMARY

This report responds to a concern about on-street parking regulations on East Avenue and Island Road. Transportation Services staff has confirmed the need for no stopping regulations in order to maintain safe and efficient two-way traffic flow, adequate sight lines and roadway maintenance at the south/west corner of East Avenue and Island Road. In addition, a four-hour short-term parking zone is recommended for Island Road.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, Scarborough District recommends that:

1. City Council rescind the parking regulations, as identified in Appendix 1 of this report.
2. City Council enact the "No Stopping" and "Parking for Restricted Periods" regulations, as identified in Appendix 2 of this report.
3. City Council pass or amend the appropriate by-law(s) accordingly.

Financial Impact

The financial cost of installing these parking prohibition signs is approximately \$3000.00. Funding for the signs is available in the Transportation Services 2011 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Further to a concern raised by Councillor Ron Moeser about the lack of parking regulations on south/west corner of East Avenue and Island Road, Transportation Services staff has reviewed the current parking conditions on this roadway and observed vehicles parked on the west side of East Avenue from Island Road to Blue Anchor Trail.

Specifically, concerns have been expressed about the frequency and duration of parking and the subsequent impacts on the surrounding residents, sight lines, two-way traffic flow, snow clearing, and a Toronto Transit Commission bus route.

COMMENTS

Several characteristics describing the subject portion of East Avenue and Island Road are:

- The land uses in this area are a mix of commercial, industrial and single family residential.
- Island Road is a two-lane east-west collector road with an unposted speed limit of 50 kilometres per hour; East Avenue is a two-lane north-south local road.
- East Avenue has a pavement width of approximately 9.6 metres.
- Currently, on the west side of East Avenue, parking is prohibited from 40 metres south of Island Road to Blue Anchor Trail. On the north side of Island Road, stopping is prohibited from East Avenue to 60 metres further west.
- Vehicles parked in the vicinity of a local pub are creating safety conflicts with other vehicles. This parking activity also restricts the safe and efficient flow of emergency vehicles and Toronto Transit Commission buses.

It is recommended that Transportation Services install a “No Stopping Anytime” zone on the west side of East Avenue from Island Road to Blue Anchor Trail, and on the south side of Island Road from East Avenue to the west driveway of #87 Island Road. In addition, staff recommend the installation of a "Four-Hour Permitted Parking" anytime on the south side of Island Road from opposite the #92 Island Road driveway to the #87 Island Road west driveway at the Councillor's request to facilitate parking demand in this area.

These changes will enhance safe and efficient two-way traffic on this roadway, facilitate snow clearing, provide adequate sight lines for motorists entering and exiting driveways and regulate on-street parking.

We anticipate that the Stopping Regulations will enhance safety for pedestrians and motorists on East Avenue and Island Road.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Appendix 1 – By-law Amendment (rescind)
2. Appendix 2 – By-law Amendment (enact)
3. Location Plan (Proposed Stopping and Parking Regulations - East Avenue and Island Road)

Appendix 1

“No Parking”
Regulation to be Rescinded

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days
East Avenue	West	40 metres south of Island Road	Blue Anchor Trail	Anytime

Appendix 2

“No Stopping” Regulation to be Enacted

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days
East Avenue	West	Island Road	Blue Anchor Trail	Anytime
Island Road	South	East Avenue	A point 42 metres further west	Anytime

“Parking for Restricted Periods”

(In Column 1) Highway	(In Column 2) Side	(In Column 3) From	To	(In Column 4) Times or Days	(In Column 5) Maximum Period Permit
Island Road	South	A point 56 metres west of East Avenue	A point 54 metres furtherwest	Anytime	4 hours