

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Parking Amendments – Churchill Avenue, west of Ossington Avenue

Date:	January 25, 2011
То:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Trinity-Spadina, Ward 19
Reference Number:	Ts2011039te.top

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 has been requested by Councillor Mike Layton to report on amending the parking regulations on the south side of Churchill Avenue, west of Ossington Avenue across from Premises No. 2. Staff recommend implementing a "No Standing Anytime" regulations from a point 24.4 metres west of Ossington Avenue to a point 19.9 metres further west to improve vehicle turning radii and enhance operational safety of the street. The proposed changes will result in the loss of two parking spaces.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Approve implementation of a "No Standing Anytime" regulation on the south side of Churchill Avenue, between a point 24.4 metres west of Ossington Avenue and a point 19.9 metres further west.

Financial Impact

Funding for the installation of signs in the estimated amount of \$100.00 is available within Transportation Services 2011 Interim Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

In following up on an issue raised with the former Ward 19 Councillor and in consultation with Councillor Mike Layton, Transportation Services has investigated amending the parking regulations on a section of the south side of Churchill Avenue, west of Ossington Avenue to improve turning radii at a residential driveway and enhance safety.

COMMENTS

Churchill Avenue is a local street that operates one-way eastbound from Dovercourt Road to Ossington Avenue on a pavement width ranging from about 6.1 metres to 7 metres. It has a daily traffic volume of approximately 700 vehicles and a speed limit of 40 km/h. Parking is prohibited at all times on the north side of Churchill Avenue. Permit parking is generally in effect from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily, with three-hour parking in effect at all other times on the south side of the street. There is no TTC service on Churchill Avenue.

In October 1997, a "No Standing, Anytime" regulation was implemented on the south side of Churchill Avenue, west of Ossington Avenue in the vicinity of Nos. 1 to 5 Churchill Avenue. This prohibition was enacted to enhance the turning radius at a driveway on the north side of Churchill Avenue and resulted in the loss of two on-street parking spaces.

In December 2009, Transportation Services was advised by the former Ward 19 Councillor that the parking prohibition was no longer required and that the community wanted the parking prohibition rescinded. Staff reported to the January 12, 2010 meeting of Toronto and East York Community Council to rescind the parking prohibition (Item No. TE30.62). Subsequent complaints from a resident on the north side of Churchill Avenue suggested that removing the parking prohibition because it was no longer required might have been premature. Staff has discussed this matter further with Councillor Mike Layton and determined that it is advisable to reinstate the standing prohibition on the north side of Churchill Avenue to enhance the turning radius at the north side of the street and enhance safety during winter months when the substantial downhill road grade on this section of the street presents a potentially hazardous situation when the road is snow covered or icy.

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