



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Parking Regulation Amendment – Lawrence Avenue West

Date:	January 29, 2013
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 11 – York South–Weston
Reference Number:	p:\2013\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc130038-to

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval for the introduction of a "No Parking" prohibition from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Lawrence Avenue West, from Ralph Street to Jane Street.

Since the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) provides service on Lawrence Avenue West, City Council approval of this report is required.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that City Council approve:

1. Rescinding the “No Parking, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays”, regulation on Lawrence Avenue West, north side, between Jane Street and Rosemount Avenue.
2. Rescinding the “No Parking, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays”, regulation on Lawrence Avenue West, both sides, between Jane Street and Rosemount Avenue.
3. Enacting a "No Parking, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday", except public holidays", regulation on Lawrence Avenue West, both sides, between Jane Street and Ralph Street.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$400.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services Division staff examined traffic flow on Lawrence Avenue West as a result of complaints from citizens regarding congestion and delays experienced by eastbound motorists during morning rush hours on the section of Lawrence Avenue West, between Weston Road and Jane Street. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

COMMENTS

Lawrence Avenue West, between Weston Road and Jane Street, is a four-lane major arterial roadway. It operates two-way, eastbound and westbound, with a daily traffic volume of 22,000 vehicles. The statutory speed limit on the roadway is 50 km/h. Parking is prohibited on the north side of Lawrence Avenue West during weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.; however parking is only prohibited on the south side of the street during weekdays from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

A review of the current traffic operations and existing parking regulations identified that parked vehicles on the south side of Lawrence Avenue West are restricting the eastbound flow of traffic in the area causing delays and backups to motorists and transit vehicles. A review of the parking regulations on Lawrence Avenue West, identified this road section is inconsistent with the parking regulations on other road sections.

Transportation Services staff recommends the introduction of a "No Parking, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday" regulation, on the south side of Lawrence Avenue West between Jane Street and Ralph Street to supplement the existing 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday regulation. The intention of this amendment is to help alleviate congestion and delays experienced by motorists and transit vehicles and provide a parking regulation which is uniform and consistent with other road sections on Lawrence Avenue West.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map