

# STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

## Parking Amendments – Mackay Avenue

Date:	October 22, 2013
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 17 – Davenport
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#### SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

The purpose of this report is to prohibit standing at anytime on both sides of Mackay Avenue, for a distance of 15 metres east of Via Italia, in order to improve the flow of traffic and by improving turning movements, with the elimination of vehicles parked too close to the intersection. This recommendation has been discussed with the area Councillor.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

1. Enacting a "No Standing Anytime" regulation on the north and south sides of Mackay Avenue, between Via Italia and a point 15 metres further east.

#### **Financial Impact**

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

#### **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

As a result of concerns expressed by the residents of Mackay Avenue and the area Councillor, Transportation Services staff investigated the feasibility of implementing a "No Standing Anytime" prohibition to replace the statutory 15 metres to corner parking prohibition on both sides of Mackay Avenue, east of Via Italia, to prevent the parking of vehicles too close to the corner at Mackay Avenue. These parked vehicles are obstructing motorists entering the intersection. This creates a conflict between pedestrians crossing the street on the east side of Mackay Avenue and northbound/southbound motorists on Via Italia attempting to enter Mackay Avenue.

#### **COMMENTS**

Mackay Avenue, from Via Italia to Dufferin Street operates one-way eastbound with a pavement width of 7.3 metres and a speed limit of 30 kilometres per hour (speed humps).

Standing is prohibited at all times on the north side of Mackay Avenue from Dufferin Street to the first lane west of Dufferin Street. Standing is prohibited from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday, on the south side of Mackay Avenue from a point 28 metres west of Dufferin Street to a point 48 metres further west. Parking Machines are located on the south side of Mackay Avenue from a point 9 metres west of Dufferin Street to a point 19 metres further west, operating from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday.

Parking is currently on an alternate side basis on the north side of Mackay Avenue from the first lane west of Dufferin Street to Via Italia and on the south side of Mackay Avenue from a point 76 metres west of Dufferin Street to Via Italia. Parking is permitted for a maximum period of one hour from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday, on the north side of Mackay Avenue from the first lane west of Dufferin Street to Via Italia and on the south side of Mackay Avenue from a point 76 metres west of Dufferin Street to Via Italia.

The permit parking system operates from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily, on this section of Mackay Avenue and parking is otherwise permitted for a maximum period of three hours at other times.

In view of the safety concerns noted above, the temporary halting of vehicles within the 15 metre to corner parking prohibited area is not desirable. While these areas are sometimes used for loading purposes (a legal activity within a parking prohibited area), the hazard created at this location places pedestrians crossing Mackay Avenue and motorists entering Mackay Avenue at risk.

Accordingly, it is recommended that standing be prohibited at anytime on the north and south sides of Mackay Avenue for a distance of 15 metres east of Via Italia.

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 Map