



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Lane Designation: Steeles Avenue East at Townsend Road

Date:	February 27, 2014
To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, North York District
Wards:	Ward 24, Willowdale
Reference Number:	<i>p:\2014\ClusterB\TRA\NorthYork\ny14027</i>

SUMMARY

Since the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a transit service on Steeles Avenue East, City Council approval of this report is required.

To obtain approval for the designation of the northerly westbound lane of Steeles Avenue East from Townsend Road to a point 72 metres east of Townsend Road for right turning traffic only, buses excepted.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, North York District recommends that:

1. City Council approve the designation of the northerly westbound lane of Steeles Avenue East from Townsend Road to a point 72 metres east of Townsend Road for right turning traffic only, buses excepted.

Financial Impact

All costs associated with the designation of the northerly westbound lane of Steeles Avenue East east of Townsend Road are included in the Transportation Services' 2014 Operating Budget estimate.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services, North York District, was requested by the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) to investigate the feasibility of designating the northerly westbound lane of Steeles Avenue East from Townsend Road to a point 72 metres east of Townsend Road for right turning traffic only, buses excepted.

This designation along with the required signage would provide clear instructions to drivers about the upcoming bus-only lane on the west side of Townsend Road.

COMMENTS

Steeles Avenue East is classified as a major arterial roadway with a posted speed limit of 60 km/hr.

In assessing this request, staff observations have verified concerns that westbound motorists are proceeding through the intersection directly into the bus only lane west of Townsend Road. In this regard, operation delays to transit vehicles have been confirmed.

In view of the above, Staff recommends the designation of the northerly westbound lane of Steeles Avenue East from Townsend Road to a point 72 metres east of Townsend Road for right turning traffic only, buses excepted.

The Ward Councillor has been advised of the recommendation of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – Lane Designation: Steeles Avenue East at Townsend Road