



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Parking Regulation Amendments – Fern Avenue

Date:	May 9, 2016
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 11 – York South-Weston
Reference Number:	p:\2016\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc160082-to

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 obtain approval to extend the 'No Parking Anytime' regulation on the north side of Fern Avenue, east of Weston Road. The proposed regulation will ensure adequate traffic flow beside the recently installed traffic island.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council:

1. Rescind the existing one hour parking regulation in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the north side of Fern Avenue, between Weston Road and a point 56.2 metres further east.
2. Prohibit parking at all times on the north side of Fern Avenue, between Weston Road and a point 56.2 metres further east.

Financial Impact

The estimated cost for amending the signs is \$100.00. These funds are included within the Transportation Services 2016 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Ward Councillor, on behalf of area residents, requested Transportation Services prohibit parking on the north side of Fern Avenue, east of Weston Road, directly adjacent from a recently installed traffic island. A map of the area with the existing and proposed parking regulations is Attachment 1.

COMMENTS

Fern Avenue is a two lane 7.3 metre wide road classified in the City's Road Classification System as a "Local" roadway. Fern Avenue is located east of Weston Road and south of Church Street. The intersection of Weston Road and Fern Avenue is controlled by traffic control signals. Sidewalks are located on both sides of Fern Avenue. Traffic is not allowed entry eastbound on Fern Avenue at a point 40 metres east of Weston Road. Do Not Enter signs along with a traffic island exist at this location.

Currently, parking is permitted on the north side of Fern Avenue for a maximum of 1 hour, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday and all other times is subject to the City-wide 3 hour limit. A "No Stopping Anytime" prohibition exists on the south side of Fern Avenue between Weston Road and a point 40 metres further east. Parking is prohibited at all times on the south side of Fern Avenue from a point 40 metres east of Weston Road to George Street.

Based on the request from the Councillor's office and staff's examination of this matter, it is recommended that parking be prohibited at all times on the north side of Fern Avenue, between Weston Road and a point 56.2 metres further east. This proposed parking regulation amendment will prevent parked vehicles from inhibiting two-way traffic and also alleviate traffic congestion. This regulation only results in the loss of one parking space.

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ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1: Map