



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Parking Regulation Amendments – Ludstone Drive, near Transfiguration of Our Lord Catholic School

Date:	May 24, 2016
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 4 – Etobicoke Centre
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SUMMARY

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

The purpose of this report is to propose amendments to the parking regulations on Ludstone Drive near Transfiguration of Our Lord Catholic School. Staff recommends a "No Stopping, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday" regulation on the north side of Ludstone Drive opposite the school; and, a "Maximum 10 Minute Limit, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday" parking restriction along portions of the school frontage.

The proposed "No Stopping" regulation will assist in alleviating traffic congestion during school hours, while the "Maximum 10 Minute Limit" parking restrictions will provide an area for the parents wishing to accompany children into Transfiguration of Our Lord Catholic School.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council:

1. Amend the parking prohibition in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Ludstone Drive between Celestine Drive and a point 160 metres west, to be in effect between Celestine Drive and a point 52 metres west.
2. Authorize parking for a maximum period of ten minutes from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Ludstone Drive, from a point 52 metres west of Celestine Drive to 43 metres further west; and, from a point 115 metres west of Celestine Drive to a point 55 metres further west.

3. Prohibit stopping between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Ludstone Drive between Celestine Drive and a point 145 metres west.

Financial Impact

The estimated cost for amending the signs is \$1000.00. These funds are included within the Transportation Services 2016 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services staff was contacted by the school principal to review traffic and parking concerns in the area of Transfiguration of Our Lord Catholic School, 55 Ludstone Drive. In particular, a request was made to provide an area for short term parking near the school where caregivers could park and escort the children to and from the school. In addition, there were concerns with congestion near the school when vehicles were parking on the north side of Ludstone Drive opposite the school. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

COMMENTS

Transfiguration of Our Lord Catholic School is located on Ludstone Drive in the residential community to the south of Dixon Road and to the east of Martin Grove Road. Ludstone Drive has sidewalks on both sides of the street with a legal speed limit of 40 km/h. Current parking regulations prohibit parking between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the south side of Ludstone Drive near the school property. In addition, parking is prohibited at all times on the north side of Ludstone Drive, between Celestine Drive and Arkley Crescent. A small area in front of the school is designated as a school bus loading zone.

Based on staff's examination, in consultation with the school principal, it was determined that a portion of the school side of Ludstone Drive could be allocated as short duration parking. Our review indicated that the majority of the school frontage, with the exception of the area currently designated as a school bus loading zone, could be used to accommodate short duration parking (maximum 10 minutes) between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. This proposed change will provide an area for short term parking for parents who wish to park and walk their children into the school. In addition, it was noted that a number of vehicles would park on the north side of Ludstone Drive opposite the school. Therefore, the proposed "No Stopping, 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday" regulation will further discourage parking on both sides of the road and will not only alleviate traffic congestion but will improve pedestrian safety.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map