

## **Parking Amendments - George Appleton Way and James Finlay Way**

**Date:** October 11, 2017

**To:** North York Community Council

**From:** Acting Director, Transportation Services, North York District

**Wards:** Ward 9 - York Centre

### **SUMMARY**

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This staff report is about a matter for which Community Council has delegated authority to make a final decision, provided that it is not amended so that it varies with City policy or by-laws.

At the request of Councillor Augimeri, Transportation Services is requesting approval to enhance the existing parking prohibitions at all times on George Appleton Way, between Keele Street and James Finlay Way, and James Finlay Way, between Wilson Avenue and George Appleton Way, with standing prohibitions at all times.

These parking amendments will address the concerns raised by local residents of street obstructions caused by vehicles stopped on both sides of these streets.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The Acting Director, Transportation Services, North York District recommends that North York Community Council:

1. Rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on the south side of George Appleton Way, between Keele Street and James Finlay Way.
2. Rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on the north side of George Appleton Way, between Keele Street and a point 55 metres east.
3. Rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on the north side of George Appleton Way, between James Finlay Way and a point 20 metres west.

4. Rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on both sides of James Finlay Way, between Wilson Avenue and George Appleton Way.
5. Prohibit standing at all times on the south side of George Appleton Way, between Keele Street and James Finlay Way.
6. Prohibit standing at all times on the north side of George Appleton Way, between Keele Street and a point 55 metres east.
7. Prohibit standing at all times on the north side of George Appleton Way, between James Finlay Way and a point 20 metres west.
8. Prohibit standing at all times on both sides of James Finlay Way, between Wilson Avenue and George Appleton Way.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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All costs associated with amendments to the parking regulations on George Appleton Way and James Finlay Way are included within the Transportation Services 2017 Operating Budget.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

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City Council, at its meeting on May 7, 2013, adopted Item NY23.10, which approved traffic regulations on George Appleton Way and James Finlay Way, including the installation of traffic control signals at Wilson Avenue and James Finlay Way. The Council decision can be found at:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2013.NY23.10>

North York Community Council, at its meeting on June 16, 2015, adopted Item NY7.44, which approved a heavy truck restriction at all times on George Appleton Way and James Finlay Way. The Council decision can be found at:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2015.NY7.44>

North York Community Council, at its meeting on November 15, 2016, adopted Item NY18.17, which approved parking amendments on both sides of George Appleton Way. The Council decision can be found at:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2016.NY18.17>

## COMMENTS

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Transportation Services was requested by Councillor Maria Augimeri, on behalf of local residents, to amend the existing parking regulations along George Appleton Way and James Finlay Way.

George Appleton Way and James Finlay Way are both two-way local streets with regulatory speed limits of 50 km/h. The pavement width on George Appleton Way narrows to 8.6 metres east of Keele Street. The pavement width on James Finlay Way narrows to 8.4 metres south of Wilson Avenue. Municipal sidewalks are located on both sides of both streets.

The current parking regulations on both streets are as follows:

### **George Appleton Way**

- Parking is permitted for a maximum period of two hours, at all times, on the north side, between a point 55 metres east of Keele Street and a point 60 metres further east.
- Parking is prohibited at all times, on the north side, between Keele Street and a point 55 metres east.
- Parking is prohibited at all times, on the north side, between James Finlay Way and a point 20 metres west.
- Parking is prohibited at all times, on the south side, between Keele Street and James Finlay Way.

### **James Finlay Way**

- Parking is prohibited at all times, on both sides, between Wilson Avenue and George Appleton Way.

There is no Toronto Transit Commission service on George Appleton Way or James Finlay Way and heavy vehicles are prohibited from using both roadways at all times.

Based on the current pavement widths, there is generally not sufficient space to provide parking on both sides of the street and maintain two-way traffic. Currently there is enough vehicular curb-side activity to restrict traffic flow along this street corridor. Legal activity includes loading and unloading, and vehicles displaying accessible parking permits. Staff is confident that there is adequate off-street space to accommodate this activity, and that the street is not an essential parking facility.

Accordingly, it is recommended that the existing parking prohibitions on George Appleton Way and James Finlay Way be rescinded and be replaced with standing prohibitions at all times. This would prevent the current curb-side activity.

The existing two-hour time limit parking on the north side of George Appleton Way will remain in place. It is noted that the introduction of the proposed standing prohibitions would only be as effective as the enforcement carried out.

The Ward Councillor is aware of the recommendation in this staff report.

## **CONTACT**

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Attachment 1: Map - George Appleton Way and James Finlay Way Parking Amendments