

Heavy Vehicles Prohibition – Pharmacy Avenue between Sheppard Avenue East and Finch Avenue East

Date: April 10, 2017
To: Scarborough Community Council
From: Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards: Ward 40 – Scarborough-Agincourt

SUMMARY

This report recommends the amendment of the existing Heavy Vehicles Prohibition to prohibit trucks at all times on Pharmacy Avenue between Sheppard Avenue East and Finch Avenue East. Currently, trucks are prohibited on this section of Pharmacy Avenue nightly from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District recommends that:

1. City Council amend the existing heavy vehicle prohibition in effect from 7:00 p.m. of one day to 7:00 a.m. of the next following day on Pharmacy Avenue, between Sheppard Avenue East and Finch Avenue East, to be in effect at all times.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The financial cost of installing the new signs is approximately \$1,500.00. Funding for the signs is available in the Transportation Services Division's 2017 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

As a result of a request from Councillor Norm Kelly on the behalf of area residents, Transportation Services staff reviewed the existing heavy vehicles prohibition on Pharmacy Avenue.

The following characteristics describe Pharmacy Avenue, between Sheppard Avenue East and Finch Avenue East:

- Pharmacy Avenue is a north-south four lane roadway and is classified as a Minor Arterial road.
- The pavement width is approximately 15 metres.
- The land uses on this section of roadway is mostly single family residential homes. The east side of the road has rear lot frontage. The residential properties on the west side front on Pharmacy Avenue. There are several schools and apartment buildings also located on Pharmacy Avenue in the subject area.
- Currently this section of Pharmacy Avenue between Sheppard Avenue East and Finch Avenue East prohibits truck traffic between 7:00 p.m. of one day to 7:00 a.m. of the next following day.
- There are sidewalks on both sides of Pharmacy Avenue.

The proposed heavy vehicles amendment will mitigate through truck traffic in this predominantly residential area. It should be noted that there is no interchange between Pharmacy Avenue and Highway 401 and therefore, trucks must use parallel arterial roads (e.g. Warden Avenue and Victoria Park Avenue) to access the highway network. It should also be noted that trucks that have business (delivery, pick up, construction vehicles, garbage/recycle collection vehicles) in the area are not prohibited from using this section of Pharmacy Avenue.

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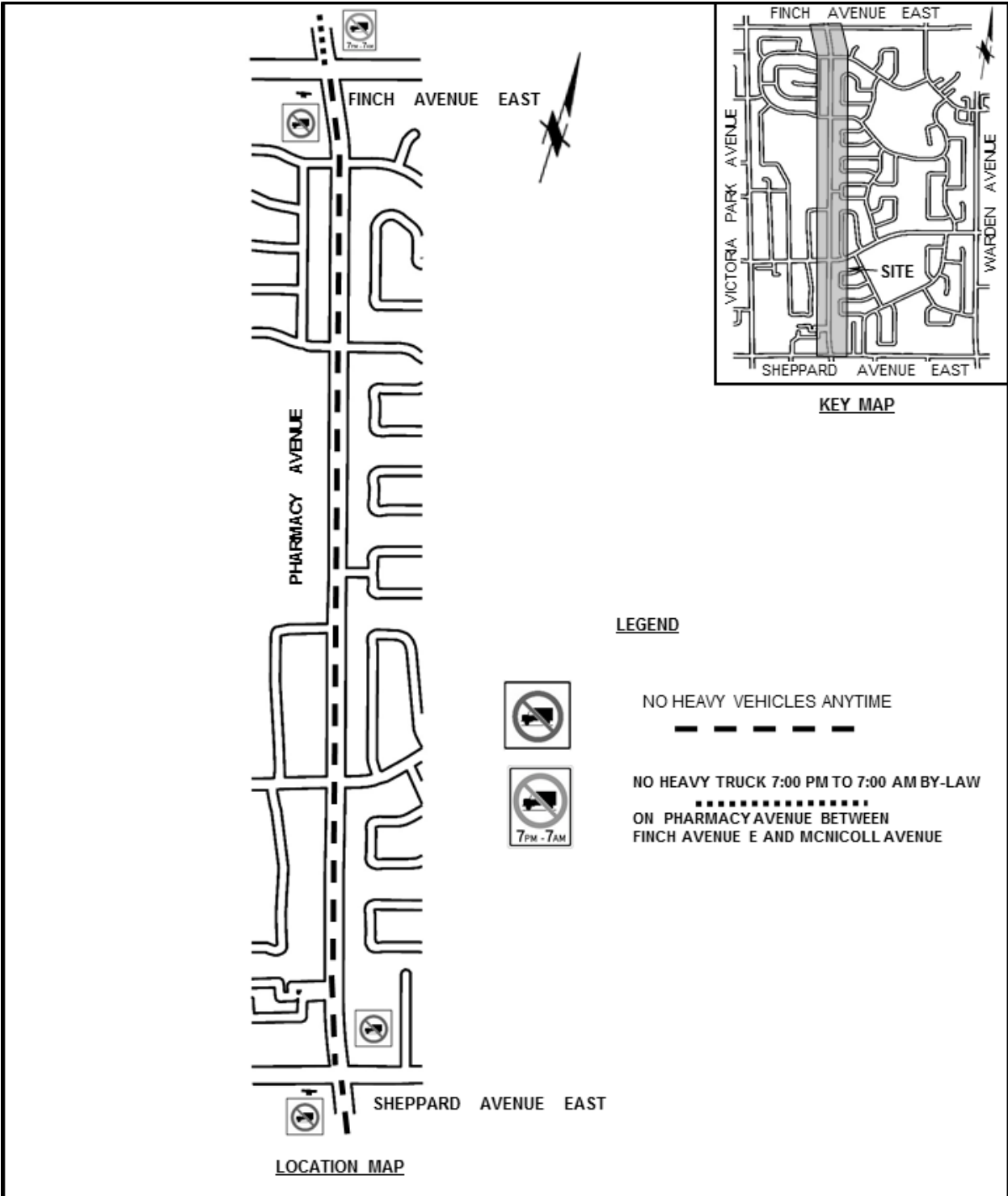
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ATTACHMENTS

1. Location Plan (Heavy Vehicles Prohibition - Pharmacy Avenue between Sheppard Avenue East and Finch Avenue East)



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