

## **Parking Amendments - Pape Avenue**

**Date:** November 15, 2019  
**To:** Toronto and East York Community Council  
**From:** Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services  
**Wards:** Ward 14, Toronto - Danforth

### **SUMMARY**

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

At the request of Councillor Paula Fletcher's office, Transportation Services is recommending that stopping be prohibited on the east side of Pape Avenue, between a point 15.7 metres north of Strathcona Avenue and a point 13.8 metres south of Strathcona Avenue, in order to ensure sightlines are not obstructed by accessible parking permit holders.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services, recommends that:

1. City Council prohibit stopping at all times on the east side of Pape Avenue, between a point 15.7 metres north of Strathcona Avenue and a point 13.8 metres south of Strathcona Avenue.
2. City Council amend the existing community safety zone on Pape Avenue, between Withrow Avenue and Poucher Street, to be in effect between Withrow Avenue and a point 62.7 metres south of Langley Avenue.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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All cost associated with the necessary signage installation are included within the Transportation Services 2019 Operating Budget.

### **DECISION HISTORY**

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This report addresses a new initiative.

## COMMENTS

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Following consultation with area residents, Councillor Paula Fletcher's office had submitted a request for Traffic Operation to investigate the feasibility of replacing the existing corner parking prohibition on the east side of Pape Avenue, just south of Strathmore Boulevard, with a stopping prohibition. This request was in response to multiple reported instances of accessible permit parking holders parking within the prohibited corner parking area obstructing sightline for westbound motorists.

Pape Avenue is classified as a minor arterial roadway that operates two-way north-south traffic on a pavement width of about 12.8 metres and the daily average traffic volume is about 10,000 vehicles. The posted speed limit is 40 km/h, however, the signs are scheduled to be replaced with 30 km/h speed limit signs. Heavy vehicles are prohibited between the hours of 7:00 p.m. of one day to 7:00 a.m. of the next following day. TTC service is provided by the "72 Pape" bus and "325 Don Mills" bus. The segment of Pape Avenue, between Harcourt Avenue and Strathcona Avenue, is designated as a Community Safety Zone.

The specific corner parking prohibition of concern is located on the east side of Pape Avenue, and is signed for 15 metres south of Strathmore Avenue. At the north approach of Pape Avenue and Strathcona Avenue is an existing pedestrian crossover (PXO). The statutory 15 metre stopping prohibition, for the south side of the PXO, extends past Strathcona Avenue into the corner parking prohibition, however is not signed. Furthermore, the following parking regulations are by-lawed and sign for on Pape Avenue, within the subject segment.

### **East Side**

- No stopping from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays; and,
- Permit parking from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.

### **West Side**

- No stopping from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays; and,
- Permit parking from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.

Following the receipt of the request to investigate, Traffic Operations examined the existing sightlines for westbound motorists' view of northbound traffic. When assessing sightline conditions, the City utilizes several factors including driver perception, driver reaction, driver eye height, object height, vehicle operating speed and deceleration rate.

The sightline review has confirmed that when vehicles are parked within the prohibited area, westbound motorist view of northbound traffic is obstructed.

A review of the Toronto Police Service collision records over a three-year period ending August 31, 2019, revealed that zero collisions had occurred at the intersection of Pape Avenue and Strathcona Avenue involving substandard sightlines.

Councillor Paula Fletcher's office had specifically received concerns of accessible parking permit holders parking within the aforementioned corner parking prohibition. Although, accessible parking permit holders are not exempt from corner parking prohibitions, it was requested that the corner parking prohibition be replaced with a stopping prohibition to ensure there is no ambiguity for permit holders. Additionally, the proposed stopping prohibition will provide the existing statutory stopping prohibition, for the south approach of the PXO, with signage. Therefore, it is recommended that stopping be prohibited on the east side of Pape Avenue, between a point 15.7 metres north of Strathcona Avenue and a point 13.8 metres south of Strathcona Avenue. This proposal will not result in the loss of any on-street or permit parking spaces.

### **Housekeeping Issues**

During the course of our review, it was noted that there is an inconsistency with the limit of an existing community safety zone on Pape Avenue. This by-law inconsistency will be resolved by the adoption of Recommendation 2.

Councillor Paula Fletcher has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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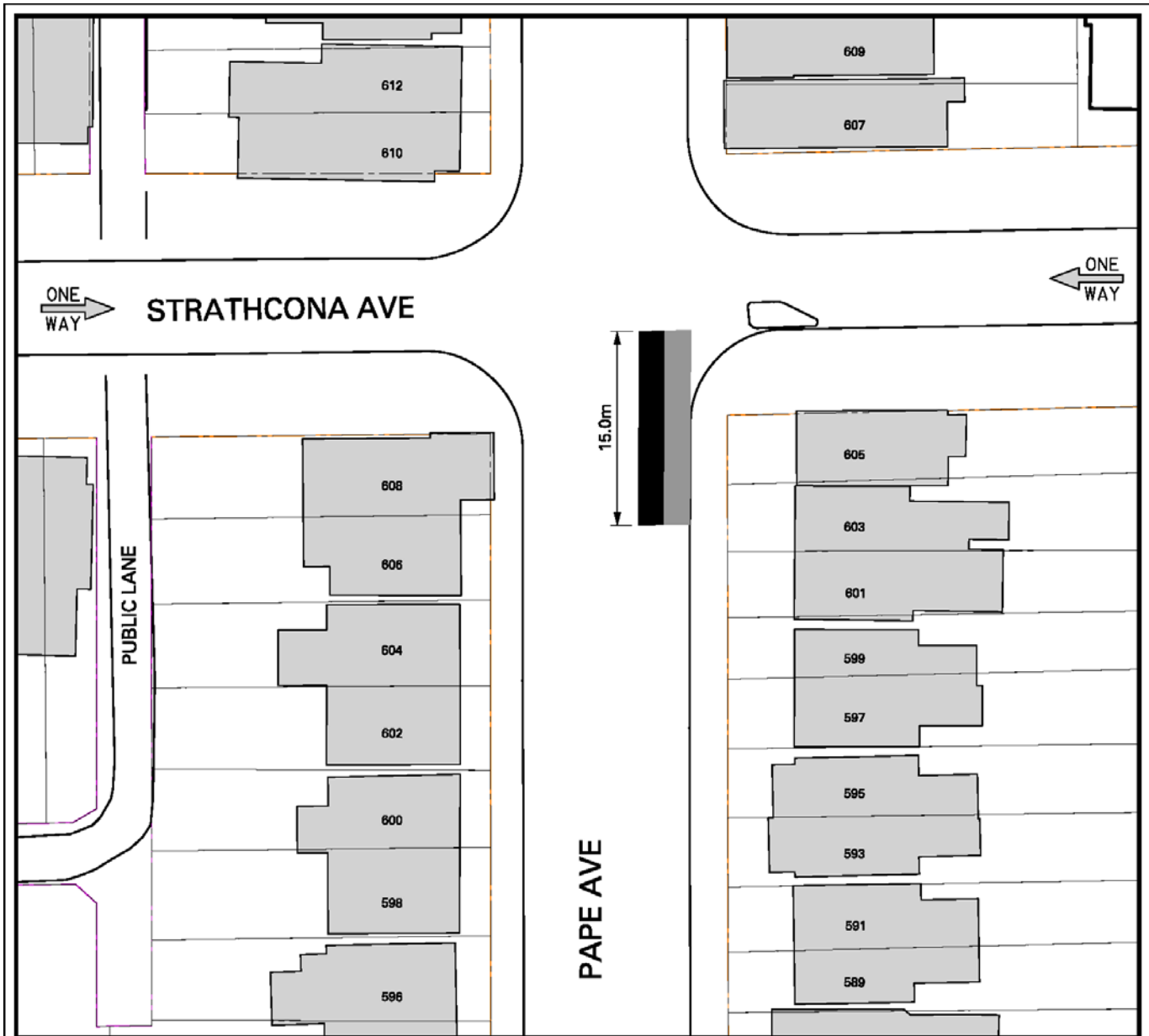
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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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1. Drawing No. 421G-3579, dated November 2019



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NOTE:  
INFORMATION ON THIS PLAN IS BASED ON OFFICE RECORDS AND IS SUBJECT TO FIELD VERIFICATION.

LEGEND

-  PROPOSED NO STOPPING ANYTIME
-  EXISTING NO STOPPING, 4pm - 6pm MON-FRI, EXCEPT PUBLIC HOLIDAYS, & EXISTING NO PARKING ANYTIME

**PAPE AVE SOUTH OF STRATHCONA AVE:  
PROPOSED PARKING AMENDMENTS**



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