

Clause embodied in Report No. 2 of the Toronto South Community Council, as adopted by the Council of the City of Toronto at its meeting held on March 1, 2 and 3, 2004.

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**Parking Regulation Changes  
in the vicinity of Greenwood School -  
Mount Pleasant Road (East Branch),  
between Balliol Street and Davisville Avenue  
(St. Paul's, Ward 22)**

*(City Council on March 1, 2 and 3, 2004, adopted this Clause, without amendment.)*

**The Toronto South Community Council recommends the adoption of the report (February 2, 2004) from the Director, Transportation Services, South District:**

Purpose:

To enhance the pick-up/drop-off opportunities for the parents/guardians of students attending the Greenwood College, to reduce traffic congestion and enhance operational safety on the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road.

Financial Implications and Impact Statement:

Funds to undertake the necessary signage adjustments in the estimated amount of \$800.00 are contained in the Transportation Services Division 2004 Operating Budget interim appropriations.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the existing “No Parking Anytime” regulation in effect on the east side of the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road, from a point 11 metres south of Davisville Avenue to a point 12.8 metres further south, be adjusted to operate from Davisville Avenue, to a point 48 metres further south;
- (2) the existing “10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, one-hour maximum” parking regulation in operation on the east side of the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road, between Balliol Street and Davisville Avenue, be adjusted to operate from a point 53 metres south of Davisville Avenue to Balliol Street;
- (3) the existing “No Parking Anytime” regulation in effect on the west side of the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road, from Balliol Street to Davisville Avenue, be rescinded;

- (4) stopping be prohibited at anytime on the west side of the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road, from Balliol Street to Davisville Avenue;
- (5) standing be prohibited at anytime on both sides of the first laneway north of Balliol Street, from the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road, to a point 39 metres further east; and
- (6) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take whatever action is necessary to give effect thereto, including the introduction in Council of any bills that are required.

Comments:

At the request of Councillor Michael Walker, Transportation Services have been requested to report to the Toronto South Community Council to obtain authority to implement various parking regulations in the vicinity of the Greenwood School.

The east branch of Mount Pleasant Road, from Balliol Street to Davisville Avenue, operates two-way, from Balliol Street to a point 56 metres further north, and then operates one-way northbound, from the laneway located mid-block to Davisville Avenue. The subject roadway operates with a maximum speed limit of 40 km/h on a road width of 7.3 metres. The frontage of the Greenwood School is located on the east side of the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road and occupies a 48-metre stretch of the roadway from the mid-block laneway to Davisville Avenue. Parking is prohibited at anytime on the east side of the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road, from Davisville Avenue to a point 22.8 metres further south. From a point 22.8 metres south of Davisville Avenue to Balliol Street, permit parking is in effect from 12:01 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Monday to Friday. Parking is permitted on this section for a maximum period of one hour from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, and is allowed for a maximum period of three hours at other times. Parking is prohibited at anytime on the west side of the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road.

- (1) Request for the implementation of a “No Stopping Anytime” prohibition on the west side of the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road, from Balliol Street to Davisville Avenue

To help reduce/curtail the illegal parking activities that are now occurring on the west side of the subject roadway, we feel it would be feasible to implement a more stringent “No Stopping Anytime” prohibition on the west side of the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road, from Balliol Street to Davisville Avenue. The implementation of this regulation should reduce the number of pick-up and drop-off activities that are taking place on the west side of the roadway, which is associated with the recently opened Greenwood School. The Highway Traffic Act of Ontario allows a motorist to temporarily halt his/her vehicle while actively engaged in loading/unloading merchandise or passengers in an area where parking is prohibited. Owing to the relative narrow width of the roadway, in conjunction with the illegal parking and the legal pick-up/drop-off activities that are currently taking place on both sides of the roadway in the vicinity of the school, the road is often congested for motorists during the student pick-up/drop-off times. The implementation of a “No Stopping Anytime” prohibition on the west side of the subject section

of roadway would provide a more stringent regulation with higher fines and would prohibit motorists from stopping their vehicles.

- (2) Request for the implementation of a “No Standing Anytime” prohibition on both sides of the laneway from the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road, to a point 39 metres further east

We would have no objections to implementing a “No Standing Anytime” prohibition on the above-noted section of laneway. A “No Standing Anytime” prohibition would prohibit the halting of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers. The implementation of a “No Standing Anytime” prohibition will help to alleviate the incidences of illegal parking that are now taking place within the laneway during the time periods when parents/guardians are picking-up/dropping-off children attending the Greenwood School. This regulation will also assist in maintaining an unimpeded access to/from the parking area that flanks the south side of the laneway, in addition to maintaining a clear access within the laneway itself.

- (3) Request for the installation of a 10-minute “Student Pick-up/Drop-off” zone on the east side of the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road, from the mid-block laneway to Davisville Avenue

Given that permit parking is currently in effect on the east side of the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road, from a point 22.8 metres south of Davisville Avenue to Balliol Street, the implementation of the requested 10-minute “Student Pick-up/Drop-off” zone, from Davisville Avenue to the laneway, would result in the loss of 23 metres of curb space that is currently being used for permit parking and one hour maximum parking. On the entire east branch of Mount Pleasant Road, between Davisville Avenue and Balliol Street, 2 permits have been issued against 13 available parking spaces. Although the rescindment of this section of permit parking on the east branch of Mount Pleasant Road, from a point 22.8 metres south of Davisville Avenue to the laneway, would eliminate four permit parking spaces, it would not result in a deprivation in the effected permit parking area.

During our earlier discussions with representatives of the Greenwood School, it was indicated to us that the school was in favour of maintaining the current “No Parking” area along the frontage of the school. They felt at the time that the current “No Parking” designation was an efficient way to allow for quick pick-ups and drop-offs of students, without creating an environment where motorists could park and enter the school. Further, the “No Parking” prohibition allows for a greater turnover of motorists and creates less roadway congestion as parents/guardians picking-up and dropping-off students do not have to compete for curb space with motorists whose vehicles may be parked while they are inside the school. In this regard, it may be prudent to extend the current “No Parking” area an extra 23 metres south to the laneway rather than designating the area for 10-minute maximum parking.

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(Attachments referred to in the foregoing report were forwarded to all Members of the Toronto South Community Council with the agenda for its meeting on February 17, 2004, and copies are on file in the office of the City Clerk.)