Installation of an On-Street Parking Space for Persons’ with Disabilities: Ridelle Avenue

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**SUMMARY**

This staff report is about a matter that the 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.

To obtain approval to install a disabled persons’ parking space adjacent to 567 Ridelle Avenue.

The installation of the disabled persons’ parking space will address the needs of the residents of 567 Ridelle Avenue, while only reducing the available on-street parking by one space.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Transportation Services Division recommends that North York Community Council:

1. Approve the installation of one on-street parking space for persons with disabilities on the south side of Ridelle Avenue, between a point 88.5 m west of Locksley Avenue and a point 5.5 m further west thereof.

**Financial Impact**

All costs associated with the installation of a disabled persons’ parking space adjacent to 567 Ridelle Avenue is included in the Transportation Services Division 2009 Operating Budget.
ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Transportation Services Division, North York District, received a request from a resident of 567 Ridelle Avenue, to investigate the feasibility of installing an on-street disabled persons’ parking space adjacent to their residence.

COMMENTS

Currently, parking is prohibited at anytime on the north side of Ridelle Avenue, between Dufferin Street and Locksley Avenue. On the south side of Ridelle Avenue, between Dufferin Street and Locksley Avenue, parking is permitted for up to 60 minutes, from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and by permit, from 12:00 midnight to 6:00 a.m.

The applicant resides at an apartment complex located on the south side of Ridelle Avenue, west of Locksley Avenue and parking is provided at the rear of the apartment building for the tenants. A designated parking space is available within the parking lot, however, during the winter months snow removal is problematic and often results in the designated parking space along with others being inaccessible. Apartment management have attempted to relocate the designated persons parking space, however, the only available area for such a space results in a long walking distance which is not practical for the resident due to physical mobility issues.

The applicant does hold a valid disabled persons’ parking permit, issued by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario. As such we have determined that it is feasible to install an on-street disabled persons’ parking space in front of 567 Ridelle Avenue, between a point 88.5 m west of Locksley Avenue and a point 5.5 m further west thereof. The creation of this designated parking space will not result in the deprivation of more than one on-street parking space and will provide convenient access for the disabled resident.

Councillor Howard Moscoe supports the recommendations of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1:  Location Map – Ridelle Avenue; Disabled Persons’ Parking Space

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