

Turn Prohibitions – No. 21 Carlton Street

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To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Toronto Centre-Rosedale, Ward 27
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SUMMARY

Transportation Services is requesting City Council's approval to introduce a northbound left turn prohibition for vehicular traffic exiting the driveway on Carlton Street serving No. 21 Carlton Street. This regulation was identified as a condition in the Development Agreement for No. 21 Carlton Street to ensure safe and efficient traffic and pedestrian conditions on Carlton Street.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that City Council:

1. Prohibit northbound and westbound left turns from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday to and from Carlton Street at the driveway serving No. 21 Carlton Street.

Financial Impact

All costs associated with the introduction of these turn prohibitions will be the responsibility of the proponent.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Site Plan Application No. 03 197287, was approved in July, 2004, respecting the construction of a mixed use development comprising of a 43 and 33-storey residential condominium building fronting Carlton Street and a four-storey building containing townhouse units fronting Granby Street. A total of 751 residential units are proposed with a small amount of retail space fronting Carlton Street. As a condition of approval staff required the introduction of left turn prohibitions to and from Carlton Street at the driveway servicing No. 21 Carlton Street that would operate from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.

COMMENTS

Carlton Street, east of Yonge Street is classified as a major arterial roadway with a daily two-way traffic flow of approximately 18,000 vehicles and a speed limit of 50 km/h. Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) service on this section of Carlton Street is provided by the 506 Carlton streetcar route.

The main driveway that services No. 21 Carlton Street is located on the south side of the street, approximately 100 metres east of Yonge Street. It will operate two-way (northbound and southbound), with vehicles entering and exiting from Carlton Street. This driveway is close to the very busy intersection of Yonge Street and Carlton Street. There is concern that vehicles making left turns into or out of the driveway during peak periods would cause delays to streetcar service, impede traffic flow, and risk the safety of drivers and pedestrians on the sidewalk. Therefore, this driveway will act as “in right/out right” only during the weekday morning and afternoon peak periods.

One of the conditions for Site Plan Approval requires the owner to pay all costs associated with the introduction of these turn prohibitions. As the construction of these buildings is essentially complete, the proponent has contacted staff to have the necessary by-laws enacted to implement the required turn restrictions.

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SIGNATURE

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

(1) Drawing No. 421F-9519, dated December 2008

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