Entry/Turn Prohibitions: 5720 Bathurst Street (Esther Shiner Stadium)

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**SUMMARY**

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

To obtain approval to implement a northbound left turn and southbound right turn prohibition at the southerly outbound driveway at 5720 Bathurst Street (Esther Shiner Stadium.)

The implementation of the above noted turn prohibitions at this driveway will reinforce the existing exit operations of this driveway.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Transportation Services Division, North York District, recommends that City Council:

1. Prohibit southbound right turns at anytime at the southerly driveway of 5720 Bathurst Street; and

2. Prohibit northbound left turns at anytime at the southerly driveway of 5720 Bathurst Street.
Financial Impact

All costs associated with the installation of the turn restrictions are included within the Transportation Services Division’s 2010 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services, North York District, was requested by the Cycling Infrastructure Unit to review the current operations of the existing driveway, given that traffic control signals will be installed at the northerly driveway as part of the approved multi-use path which is being constructed along the Finch Hydro Corridor from Norfinch Drive to Yonge Street.

Staff of the Parks, Forestry & Recreation Division have indicated that it is their preference to maintain the southerly access for outbound movements only.

COMMENTS

Bathurst Street is a major arterial roadway with a posted speed limit of 60 km/h. Currently, the mid-block cross-section of this section of Bathurst Street consists of five lanes and is comprised of two northbound/southbound through lanes and a hatched centre median with left turns lane indication where required.

At its meeting of June 8 and 9, 2010, City Council approved the installation of traffic control signals at the northerly driveway access to Esther Shiner Stadium. However, the required turn prohibitions to reinforce the existing exit only operations at the southerly driveway were not incorporated as part of the Bike Network Trail Project report.

Staff of this division has reviewed the existing and proposed traffic operations at this location and have indicted that maintaining the southerly driveway for outbound movements only is acceptable with the implementation of the following:

- southbound right turns being prohibited at anytime;
- northbound left turns being prohibited at anytime; and
- install a “trumpet island” to channelize the outbound movements.

The implementation of the above noted turn restrictions and driveway modifications at the southerly driveway to 5720 Bathurst Street will reduce driver confusion thereby providing clearly defined signage and direction to the motorists.
It should also be noted that the staff of the Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division are in concurrence with the proposed traffic controls.

As such, this division recommends the proposed turn restrictions at 5270 Bathurst Street.

Councillor Michael Feldman has been advised of the recommendations of this report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – Overview; 5720 Bathurst St, Esther Shiner Stadium (ny10105_map1)

Attachment 2: Map – Turn Prohibitions; 5720 Bathurst St, Esther Shiner Stadium (ny10105)