Installation of Stop Control – Maughan Crescent and Hemlock Avenue

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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services reviewed the lack of traffic control at the east intersection of Maughan Crescent and Hemlock Avenue.

Maughan Crescent intersects the south side of Hemlock Avenue at two locations, both of which are T-type intersections. The west of these intersections is all-way stop-controlled while there are no stop signs or traffic control devices at the east intersection. As a result, motorists sometimes confuse who has the right-of-way at the east intersection. The installation of a stop sign for northbound traffic at the intersection would clearly designate who has the right-of-way, thereby enhancing safety at the intersection.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Establish stop control for northbound traffic on Maughan Crescent at the east intersection with Hemlock Avenue.

Financial Impact
The cost to install a stop sign is approximately $200.00 and available within the Transportation Service Division 2010 Operating Budget.
ISSUE BACKGROUND
At the request of a local resident, in consultation with Councillor Sandra Bussin, Transportation Services reviewed the lack of traffic control at the east intersection of Maughan Crescent and Hemlock Avenue.

COMMENTS
Hemlock Avenue is a two-way, local roadway that runs south from Robbins Avenue, east of Coxwell Avenue and north of Dundas Street East. Maughan Crescent intersects the south side of Hemlock Avenue at two locations, both of which are T-type intersections. The west of these intersections is all-way stop-controlled while there are no stop signs or traffic control devices at the east intersections. There is no TTC service on Maughan Crescent or Hemlock Avenue.

As a result of the above situation, motorists at the east intersection of Maughan Crescent and Hemlock Avenue sometimes confuse who has the right-of-way. The installation of a stop sign for northbound traffic at the intersection would clearly designate who has the right-of-way, thereby enhancing safety at the intersection.

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