Gibson Avenue - Parking Regulation Amendments

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To: Etobicoke York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards: Ward 11 – York South-Weston
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SUMMARY
The purpose of this report is to obtain approval to amend parking regulations on Gibson Avenue, south of Lawrence Avenue West to allow for "15 Minute Permitted Parking" on the west side of Gibson Avenue. This will assist residents at the 36 Gibson Avenue townhouse development, with short term parking mainly for carrying goods from their vehicles to their dwelling units.

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

RECOMMENDATIONS
Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council approve rescinding the "No Parking Anytime" regulation on the west side of Gibson Avenue between a point 92.5 metres north of Wright Avenue and Lawrence Avenue West.

2. City Council approve enacting a “15 Minute Permitted Parking” regulation on the west side of Gibson Avenue from Lawrence Avenue West to a point 120 metres south.

Financial Impact

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ISSUE BACKGROUND
Transportation Services received a request from the Ward Councillor's office, on behalf of residents at 36 Gibson Avenue (town house development) to consider the installation of a "15 Minute Permitted Parking" on the west side of Gibson Avenue between Lawrence Avenue West and Speers Avenue to allow residents short term parking close to their dwelling units.

COMMENTS
Gibson Avenue operates two-way with a pavement width of 9.1 metres and is classified as a local street with a speed limit of 50 km/h. Municipal sidewalk is located on the west side of Gibson Avenue.

Parking is currently permitted up to periods of three hours on the west side from Speers Avenue to 50 metres further south. Parking is prohibited at anytime on the remaining sections of the west side of Gibson Avenue and on the entire east side of the street.

The 36 Gibson Avenue town house development consists of 167 units, in three-storey blocks with parking below grade. Vehicular access to the townhouse units' underground garage is from Pine Street. A driveway from Gibson Avenue is located at the south side of the development to access a garbage pick-up area and four surface parking spaces.

Given the current road width, two-way traffic flow can be maintained with vehicles parking on the west side of Gibson Avenue; as such, we would have no objection introducing a "15 Minute Permitted Parking" regulation on the west side of Gibson Avenue from Lawrence Avenue West to approximately Speers Avenue.

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ATTACHMENTS
Attachment 1: Map – Existing Conditions
Attachment 2: Map – Proposed Conditions