



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Parking Regulation Amendment – Armadale Avenue

Date:	September 2, 2011
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Acting Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 13 – Parkdale-High Park
Reference Number:	p:\2011\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc110138-to

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval to introduce a "No Stopping Anytime" regulation on the west side of Armadale Avenue between Bloor Street West and a point 70 metres north of Bloor Street West. This restriction will provide a safer road environment for motorists by not allowing motorists to stand/park on both sides of Armadale Avenue in this area between Bloor Street West and the driveway to the Jane subway station.

Since the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates transit service on this portion of Armadale Avenue, City Council approval of this report is required. The TTC has been consulted on this item and they do not object to the regulations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that City Council approve:

1. Rescinding the “No Stopping Anytime” prohibition on both sides of Armadale Avenue between Bloor Street West and a point 15 metres north thereof.
2. Rescinding the “No Standing Anytime” prohibition on the west side of Armadale Avenue between a point 15 metres north of Bloor Street West and a point 55 metres further north.
3. Enacting a “No Stopping Anytime” prohibition on the east side of Armadale Avenue between Bloor Street West and a point 15 metres further north.
4. Enacting a “No Stopping Anytime” prohibition on the west side of Armadale Avenue between Bloor Street West and a point 70 metres further north.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$600.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services staff received a request from the area Councillor to consider replacing the existing "No Standing Anytime" regulation with a "No Stopping Anytime" regulation on the west side of Armadale Avenue, north of Bloor Street West (near the Jane subway station). A map of the area is Attachment 1.

COMMENTS

Armadale Avenue is a two-way local roadway that has a pavement width of 11.0 metres immediately north of Bloor Street West and narrows to 8.5 metres at the beginning of the residential properties, approximately 70 metres north of Bloor Street West. The street has a legal speed limit of 40 km/h, although a 30 km/h speed limit is proposed, but yet to be installed, with the future installation of traffic calming on this street. Armadale Avenue is built to urban standards (i.e. curb and gutter) with a sidewalk on both sides. The Jane subway station is located on the west side of the street, north of Bloor Street West, and a Green P parking lot exists on the east side of the street to the north of Bloor Street West. Commercial businesses exist on the corner of Bloor Street West at Armadale Avenue with the remainder of the street, north of Bloor Street West, being residential.

In front of the residential homes, to the north of the subway station and Green P parking lot, permit parking exists, seven days a week, 12:01 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., with a one hour parking limit during the day. South of the residential area, a "No Standing Anytime" regulation is signed on both sides of Armadale Avenue with the exception of the section between Bloor Street West and a point 15 metres north of Bloor Street West which is posted "No Stopping Anytime".

Our observations show that motorists are stopped, waiting for passengers in the No Standing area on both sides of Armadale Avenue. While this is permitted within a No Standing zone, it does result in congestion in the area especially in the late afternoon and early evening when it occurs on both sides of the street and cars as well as TTC buses are driving on the street.

The introduction of a "No Stopping Anytime" prohibition on the west side of Armadale Avenue between Bloor Street West and a point 70 metres north of Bloor Street West will help deter motorists from stopping on this section of road, thus alleviating the congestion at the corner and providing safer traffic operations in the area.

CONTACT

Bruce Clayton, Manager, Traffic Operations - Etobicoke York District
Phone: 416-394-8409; Fax: 416-394-8942
Email: clayton@toronto.ca
AFS14570

SIGNATURE

Steven T. Kodama, P.Eng.
Acting Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map