



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Accessible Loading Zone - Bartlett Avenue

Date:	December 6, 2010
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Davenport, Ward 18
Reference Number:	Ts10151te.top.doc

SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval to designate an on-street accessible loading zone fronting No. 85 Bartlett Avenue to assist in transporting a disabled resident at this premises. The accessible loading zone will operate from the 1st to 15th days of each month, April 1 to November 30th, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., daily, on the east side of Bartlett Avenue from a point 54 metres south of Shanly Street to a point 8 metres further south. The loading zone will not eliminate any overnight permit parking spaces.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Approve installation of an on-street accessible loading zone operating from the 1st day of each month to the 15th day of each month, April 1st to November 30th, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., daily, on the east side of Bartlett Avenue, from a point 54 metres south of Shanly Street to a point 8 metres further south.
2. Prohibit standing from the 1st day of each month to the 15th day of each month, April 1st to November 30th, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., daily, on the east side of Bartlett Avenue, from a point 54 metres south of Shanly Street to a point 8 metres further south.

Financial Impact

Funding for the installation of signs in the estimated amount of \$500.00 is available within the Transportation Services Division 2011 Interim Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of a resident at No. 85 Bartlett Avenue, Transportation Services has investigated the feasibility of designating an on-street accessible loading zone in front of No. 85 Bartlett Avenue to assist in transporting a disabled person living at this premises.

COMMENTS

Bartlett Avenue is a local roadway operating one-way northbound, from a point 84 metres north of Bloor Street West to Shanly Street, reverting to a one-way southbound from Shanly Street to Hallam Street. The pavement width is 7.3 metres and the posted speed limit is 30 km/h (traffic calming in effect). There is no TTC service on Bartlett Avenue.

Parking currently alternates twice monthly between the east and west sides of the street on the 1st and 16th days, during the period from April 1st to November 30th of each year. During the winter months, parking is only allowed on the west side of the street. Permit parking currently operates between 12:01 a.m. and 7:00 a.m., daily. Parking is otherwise allowed for a maximum period of three hours.

Wheel-Trans buses frequently have difficulty accessing space at the curb in front of No. 85 Bartlett Avenue when parking is allowed on the east side of the street. When access to the curb is blocked by parked cars the bus must double-park in front of the home, which impedes the flow of traffic.

Wheel-Trans Service is required during daytime hours only. To facilitate curb-side access for a Wheel-Trans bus, installation of an on-street accessible loading zone in front of No. 85 Bartlett Avenue is recommended. The designated area could also be used during the 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. operational period by any vehicle displaying a valid "Disabled/Accessible Parking Permit" while actively engaged in picking-up or dropping-off a disabled person. Parking will be maintained outside of that time, including overnight parking by residents with valid parking permits.

When parking is allowed on the west side of the street from the 16th day to the last day of each month, April 1 to November 30 and at all times, from December 1 to March 31, the east curb of the street in front of No. 85 Bartlett Avenue is clear of parked cars and the Wheel-Trans bus is able to stop against the curb to pick-up or drop-off a passenger.

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