



**STAFF REPORT  
ACTION REQUIRED**

**Left Turn Prohibition Amendment - 152 Park Lawn Road**

<b>Date:</b>	September 19, 2012
<b>To:</b>	Etobicoke York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 5 – Etobicoke-Lakeshore
<b>Reference Number:</b>	p:\2012\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc120127-to

**SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to recommend changing the existing "No Left Turn Anytime" restriction to a “No Left Turn, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday” restriction for northbound traffic on Park Lawn Road at the driveway access to 152 Park Lawn Road (formerly known as 152/154/156 Park Lawn Road).

As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates bus service on Park Lawn Road, City Council approval of this report is required.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Transportation Services recommends that:**

- (1) City Council rescind the existing “No Left Turn, Anytime” restriction for northbound traffic on Park Lawn Road, approximately 111 metres south of The Queensway, at the driveway access to 152 Park Lawn Road (formerly known as 152/154/156 Park Lawn Road).
- (2) City Council approve enacting a “No Left Turn, Monday to Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.” restriction for northbound traffic on Park Lawn Road, approximately 111 metres south of The Queensway, at the driveway access to 152 Park Lawn Road (formerly known as 152/154/156 Park Lawn Road).

**Financial Impact**

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$200.00

## **DECISION HISTORY**

City Council, at its meeting of March 8 and 9, 2011, adopted item EY4.27, without amendments and without debate, the staff report titled "Park Lawn Road at 152/154/156 Park Lawn Road, and 515 The Queensway – Left-Turn Prohibitions". Council approved enacting a "No Left Turn, Anytime" restriction for northbound traffic on Park Lawn Road, approximately 111 metres south of The Queensway, at the driveway access to 152/154/156 Park Lawn Road (Tim Hortons), and, enacting a "No Left Turn, Anytime" restriction for northbound traffic on Park Lawn Road, approximately 41 metres south of The Queensway, at the driveway access to 515 The Queensway (Royal Bank).

This item was first considered by Etobicoke York Community Council on February 16, 2011 and was adopted with amendment. However, Community Council requested the Acting Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District, to report to the June 22, 2011 meeting of the Etobicoke York Community Council, after further discussions with the applicant with respect to these turn prohibitions.

As a result of the aforementioned, staff submitted an information report to the September, 12, 2011 meeting of Community Council advising, in part, that due to road construction the results of follow-up studies would be presented in 2012.

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

As part of conditions of site plan approval for 152/154/156 Park Lawn Road, a one story Tim Hortons convenience restaurant with a drive-through component, and 515 The Queensway, a 523 square metre bank building, left-turn prohibitions were required on Park Lawn Road at the driveway accesses to these properties. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

## **COMMENTS**

Park Lawn Road, south of The Queensway, is classified in the City's road system as a "major arterial". This section of road has two lanes in each direction. The legal speed limit on Park Lawn Road, south of The Queensway, is 50 km/h. Traffic control signals are located at the intersections of Park Lawn Road and The Queensway, and Park Lawn Road and the on-ramp to westbound F.G. Gardiner Expressway.

In 2010, a driveway access was constructed on the west side of Park Lawn Road approximately 41 metres south of The Queensway, at the new bank building (Royal Bank) located at 515 The Queensway. In addition, a driveway access was constructed approximately 111 metres south of The Queensway, at the new Tim Hortons located on the property of 152 Park Lawn Road.

Staff's observations made recently during the morning peak, afternoon peak and off-peak traffic periods revealed several instances of non-compliance of the existing left turn prohibition at the Tim Hortons driveway. Despite the non-compliance, there is no adverse affects to existing traffic operations on Park Lawn Road or traffic exiting this driveway during our afternoon peak or off-peak periods observations. However, we did observe significant northbound queue lengths during the morning peak traffic on Park Lawn Road from The Queensway to south of the driveway access to 152 Park Lawn Road.

Given our observations, if northbound left turn movements were allowed at the driveway access to Tim Hortons in the morning peak traffic period, we foresee negative effects to traffic operations in the northbound direction on Park Lawn Road.

As for the existing northbound "No Left Turn, Anytime" restriction located approximately 41 metres south of The Queensway at the driveway access to the Royal Bank, 515 The Queensway, this prohibition is to remain in effect at all times due to the driveway's proximity to the intersection of The Queensway and Park Lawn Road. Also we have not received any complaints or concerns in regards to this prohibition.

Based on the aforementioned, staff recommends changing the existing "No Left Turn, Anytime" restriction to a "No Left Turn, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday" restriction for northbound traffic on Park Lawn Road at the driveway access to 152 Park Lawn Road (Tim Hortons).

As the TTC operates bus service on Park Lawn Road, City Council approval of this report is required.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1            Map