

**Parking Regulation Study – Neilson Road  
South of Ellesmere Road**

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<b>To:</b>	Scarborough Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
<b>Wards:</b>	Wards 43 – Scarborough East
<b>Reference Number:</b>	P:\2012\Cluster B\TRA\Scarborough\sc12104 D12-4897716 Neilson Road no standing

**SUMMARY**

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This report responds to a concern from a citizen regarding vehicles that display accessible parking permits parking in a designated no parking area on the east side of Neilson Road, south of Ellesmere Road.

It is recommended that Transportation Services amend the current "No Parking Anytime" regulations to the more restrictive "No Standing Anytime" regulations in the subject area. These regulations will prevent motorists who display an accessible parking permit from parking on the either side of Neilson Road. These vehicles impede the safe and efficient flow of two-way traffic and restrict access for emergency vehicles at the adjacent hospital.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

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**Transportation Services recommends that:**

1. City Council rescind the "No Parking" regulation, as identified in Appendix 1 of this report.
2. City Council enact the "No Standing" regulation, as identified in Appendix 2 of this report.
3. City Council pass or amend the appropriate by-law(s) accordingly.

## **Financial Impact**

The financial cost of installing these No Standing prohibition signs is approximately \$1,000.00. Funding for the signs is available in the Transportation Services 2012 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

This report responds to a concern from a citizen regarding motorists that display an accessible parking permit being exempted from enforcement within a designated no parking area.

Currently, the City of Toronto by-laws allow motorists that display an accessible parking permit to park in a designated "No Parking" area for up to a maximum of 24 hours.

Staff has confirmed through a recent study that some parking abuses did occur, specifically by motorists that displayed accessible parking permits. These parked vehicles restricted the safe and efficient flow of two-way traffic and emergency vehicles accessing the hospital. In addition these parked vehicles cause a sight-line obstruction for motorists when exiting from the adjacent hospital parking lot driveway.

## **COMMENTS**

Key characteristics describing the subject portion of Neilson Road include:

- The area is located in the Morningside neighbourhood.
- "No Parking Anytime" prohibitions exist on both sides of Neilson Road from Ellesmere Road to the south end where it becomes a private driveway.
- A hospital is located at 2867 Ellesmere Road south of Neilson Road.
- A Home for the Aged is located on the east side of Neilson Road across from the hospital parking lot.
- TTC provides service to both the hospital and the Home for the Aged along Neilson Road.
- Sidewalks are located on both sides of this minor arterial road.

Staff anticipates that the proposed No Standing Anytime regulation on Neilson Road will enhance sight lines in the area, reduce parking related congestion, and encourage safe and efficient traffic flow in this area. Access for passenger pick-up and drop-off will also be retained.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Appendix 1 – "No Parking " By-law Amendment (Rescind)
2. Appendix 2 – "No Standing" By-law Amendment (Enact)
3. Location Plan – (Parking Regulation Study – Neilson Road south of Ellesmere Road)

# REVISED

## Appendix 1

### “No Parking” Regulation to be Rescinded

(From Column 1 Highway)	(From Column 2 Side)	From	(From Column 3 To)	(From Column 4 Times or Days)
Neilson Road	Both	Ellesmere Road	170 metres south of Ellesmere Road	Anytime

Appendix 2

“No Standing”  
Regulation to be Enacted

(In Column 1 Highway)	(In Column 2 Side)	From	(In Column 3 To)	(In Column 4 Times or Days)
Neilson Road	Both	Ellesmere Road	South end of Neilson Road	Anytime