Rescind Alternate Side Parking – Macpherson Avenue

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**SUMMARY**

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

Transportation Services is seeking authority to rescind the alternate side parking regulations on Macpherson Avenue, between Avenue Road and Yonge Street. This change will maintain parking on the south side of the road where there are more available parking spaces. This would have a negligible impact on traffic operations. However, street cleaning on the parking side could be difficult.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Rescind the “Alternate Side Parking, 16th day to the last day of each month, inclusive” regulation on the north side of Macpherson Avenue, between Yonge Street and Avenue Road.

2. Rescind the “Alternate Side Parking, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on the first day to the 15th day of each month, inclusive” regulation on the north side of Macpherson Avenue, between Yonge Street and Avenue Road.

3. Rescind the “Alternate Side Parking, first day to the 15th day of each month, inclusive” regulation on the south side of Macpherson Avenue, between Yonge Street and a point 42.7 metres east of Avenue Road.
4. Rescind the “Alternate Side Parking, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on the 16th day to the last day of each month, inclusive” regulation on the south side of Macpherson Avenue, between Yonge Street and a point 42.7 metres east of Avenue Road.

5. Rescind the “No Parking Anytime from December 1 of one year to March 31 of the next following year, inclusive” regulation on the south side of Macpherson Avenue, between Yonge Street and a point 42.7 metres east of Avenue Road.

6. Rescind the “12:01 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Permit Parking, All times, except no parking from the first day to the 15th day of each month, inclusive, from April 1 to November 30 inclusive, and no parking anytime from December 1 of one year to March 31 of the next following year, inclusive” on the odd side of Macpherson Avenue, between Yonge Street and Avenue Road.

7. Rescind the “12:01 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Permit Parking, All times, except no parking from the 16th day to the last day of each month, from April 1 to November 30, inclusive” regulation on the even side of Macpherson Avenue, between Yonge Street and Avenue Road.

8. Rescind the "One hour time limit parking, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. from December 1 of one year to March 31 of the next following year, inclusive" regulation on the north side of Macpherson Avenue, between Avenue Road and Yonge Street.

9. Implement a “12:01 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Permit Parking, at all times” regulation on the south side of Macpherson Avenue, between Yonge Street and a point 42.7 metres east of Avenue Road.

10. Allow parking for a maximum period of one hour from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on the south side of Macpherson Avenue, between Yonge Street and a point 42.7 metres east of Avenue Road.

11. Prohibit parking at all times on the north side of Macpherson Avenue between Avenue Road and Yonge Street.

Financial Impact
Funds to undertake the necessary signage adjustments in the estimated amount of $1,000.00 are contained in the Transportation Services Division 2012 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND
Transportation Services, at the request of area residents, has reviewed the feasibility of rescinding alternate side parking on this section of Macpherson Avenue to maintain parking on the side of the road with more available parking spaces.
COMMENTS

Macpherson Avenue (Avenue Road to Yonge Street) is classified as a local roadway that operates one-way eastbound, with a pavement of 7.3 metres. This section of Macpherson Avenue has traffic calming in the form of speed humps, and has a posted speed limit of 30 km/h. There is no TTC service on Macpherson Avenue.

The following parking regulations are currently in effect on this section of Macpherson Avenue:

**North Side**
- No parking 16th to the end of each month, April 1st to November 30th
- 1 hour parking 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., December 1st to March 31st, 1st to the 15th of each month April 1st to November 30th
- Permit parking 12:01 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

**South Side**
- Parking is prohibited at all times from Avenue Road to a point 42.7 metres further east.

From a point 42.7 metres east of Avenue Road to Yonge Street the following regulations are in effect:
- No parking December 1st to March 31st, 1st to the 15th of each month, April 1st to November 30th
- 1 hour parking 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., 16th to the end of each month, April 1st to November 30th
- Permit parking 12:01 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Our study revealed that Macpherson Avenue (Avenue Road to Yonge Street), taking into consideration driveways, hydrants and statutory parking prohibition, has approximately 90 on-street parking spaces available on the south side and 80 on-street parking spaces available on the north side. It is feasible to rescind the alternate side parking regulations on this section of Macpherson Avenue and allow parking only on the south side of the road. This would result in 10 additional parking spaces where residential parking is in high demand.

The proposed parking regulations for Macpherson Avenue, from Avenue Road to Yonge Street would be as follows (parking operating times will remain unchanged):

**North Side**
- Parking prohibited at all times
South Side

- Parking prohibited at all times from Avenue Road to a point 42.7 metres further east.

From a point 42.7 metres east of Avenue Road to Yonge Street the following regulations will be in effect:
- 1 hour parking from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Permit parking 12:01 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

As a result of these changes to the existing parking regulations, the impacts to the traffic operations on this section of Macpherson Avenue will be negligible. However, street cleaning on the parking side could be difficult.

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS
(1) Drawing No. 421G-0611, dated March, 2012, Existing Parking Regulations
(2) Drawing No. 421G-0612, dated March, 2012, Proposed Parking Regulations

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