Accessible Loading Zone – No. 125 Linsmore Crescent

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**SUMMARY**

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

The purpose of this report is to introduce an accessible loading zone to facilitate curbside access for Wheel-Trans vehicles at No. 125 Linsmore Crescent. This will provide Wheel-Trans buses with a convenient pick-up/drop-off location.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Approve an accessible loading zone on the east side of Linsmore Crescent, from Queensdale Avenue to a point 15.5 metres south, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., daily.

**Financial Impact**

Funds to undertake the necessary signage adjustments in the estimated amount of $400.00 are contained in the Transportation Services Division 2012 Operating Budget.

**ISSUE BACKGROUND**

A resident of No. 125 Linsmore Crescent has requested that an accessible loading zone be installed on the east side of Linsmore Crescent, in the vicinity of their home, to provide for Wheel-Trans pick-up and drop-off.
COMMENTS
Linsmore Crescent is a two-way local roadway, operating north-south, between Queensdale Avenue and Springdale Boulevard, with a pavement width of 8.5 metres and a speed limit of 50 km/h.

Parking is allowed on the east side of Linsmore Crescent during the months of January, February, March, April, June, August, October and December, and on the west side during the months of May, July, September and November. Permit parking operates on this section of Linsmore Crescent from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily. There is no TTC service on Linsmore Crescent.

Currently, the resident with a disability is picked up or dropped off regularly, by a Wheel-Trans bus. The bus often cannot stop at the curb due to vehicles parked in front of his residence. Illegal parking, closer to Queensdale Avenue adds to the problem. An accessible loading zone can be identified on the east side of Linsmore Crescent, from Queensdale Avenue to a point 15.5 metres south to resolve the current problems. It should be noted that any vehicle displaying an accessible parking permit could utilize this area while actively engaged in picking up or dropping off a person with a disability. The installation of an accessible loading zone will take away one on-street parking space during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., daily, on this section of Linsmore Crescent.

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