STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED

Student Pick-Up and Drop-Off Area – Arlington 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 requesting approval to implement a 10-minute maximum parking regulation from 7:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the east side of Arlington Avenue, in the vicinity of the Leo Baeck Day School located at No. 501 Arlington Avenue.

The implementation of a 10-minute maximum parking regulation fronting the school will provide short-term parking opportunities for persons escorting children to and from the school.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Rescind the existing "No Parking at Anytime" regulation on the east side of Arlington Avenue, from Durham Avenue to a point 210 metres south of Durham Avenue.

2. Allow parking for a maximum period of 10 minutes, from 7:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the east side of Arlington Avenue, from a point 20 metres south of Durham Avenue to a point 29 metres further south, and from a point 65.5 metres south of Durham Avenue, to a point 29 metres further south.
3. Prohibit parking from 12:00 midnight to 7:45 a.m., 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight, Monday to Friday, and at all times Saturday and Sunday, on the east side of Arlington Avenue, from a point 20 metres south of Durham Avenue to a point 29 metres further south, and from a point 65.5 metres south of Durham Avenue, to a point 29 metres further south.

4. Prohibit parking at anytime on the east side of Arlington Avenue, from Durham Avenue to a point 20 metres further south, from a point 49 metres south of Durham Avenue to a point 16.5 metres further south, and from a point 94.5 metres south of Durham Avenue to a point 115.5 metres further south.

Financial Impact
The estimated cost of installing signs to identify the "Student Pick-up and Drop-off" zones is $1,000.00. Funds are available within the Transportation Services Division 2012 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND
At the request of Councillor Joe Mihevc, on behalf of the Leo Baeck Day School, Transportation Services investigated the feasibility of establishing a 10-minute "Student Pick-up/Drop-off Area", on the east side of Arlington Avenue, south of Durham Avenue, fronting No. 501 Arlington Avenue.

Leo Baeck Day School will be taking over the Arlington Middle School location in September 2012 and will provide all-day classes for students attending Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8. Leo Baeck School officials expect an increase in vehicular traffic on Arlington Avenue, as a result of parents/guardians driving children to and from the school. We have been informed that the school will be providing an off-street pick-up and drop-off zone in the parking lot servicing their building. However, in order to accommodate the expected overflow, they have requested short-term parking be introduced on the street in the vicinity of the school.

COMMENTS

Road Characteristics
Arlington Avenue, between Durham Avenue and Vaughan Road, operates one-way southbound on a pavement width ranging from 4.7 to 7.4 metres. The variances in the pavement width are due to the traffic calming (build-outs) that are in place on the subject section of roadway. Also, in conjunction with the traffic calming, the maximum speed limit is 30 km/h. There is no TTC service on this section of Arlington Avenue.

The following parking regulations are in effect on Arlington Avenue, between Durham Avenue, and Vaughan Road:
East side:

- Parking is prohibited at anytime, from Durham Avenue to a point 210 metres south of Durham Avenue;
- Parking is prohibited from the 1st day to the 15th day of each month, from April 1st to November 30th, and at anytime from December 1 of one year to March 31st of the next following year, from a point 210 metres south of Durham Avenue to Vaughan Road; and
- When allowed, parking is permitted by permit only from 12:00 midnight to 6:00 a.m., daily, from a point 210 metres south of Durham Avenue to Vaughan Road.

West side:

- Parking is prohibited at anytime, from Durham Avenue to a point 210 metres south of Durham Avenue;
- Parking is prohibited from the 16th day to the last day of each month, from April 1st to November 30th, from a point 210 metres south of Durham Avenue to Vaughan Road; and
- When allowed, parking is permitted by permit only from 12:00 midnight to 6:00 a.m., daily, from a point 210 metres south of Durham Avenue to Vaughan Road.

Investigation

Leo Baeck Day School will be situated at No. 501 Arlington Avenue as of September 2012. Parking is prohibited at all times on both sides of Arlington Avenue within the vicinity of the school. When parking is prohibited, a motorist is allowed to temporarily stop their vehicle while picking up or dropping off a passenger. However, if the vehicle is left unattended, the motorist risks the possibility of being ticketed. Accordingly, in order to provide short-term parking, and lessen the risk of being ticketed, Councillor Joe Mihevc has requested the implementation of a "Student Pick-up and Drop-off Area" with a 10-minute maximum parking limit near the school in order to allow parents and/or guardians to temporarily park their vehicles while escorting their children to and from the school.

Based on our assessment, delineating a "Student Pick-up/Drop-off Area" and restricting parking to a maximum period of 10 minutes on the east side of Arlington Avenue from a point 20 metres south of Durham Avenue to a point 29 metres further south, and from a point 65.5 metres south of Durham Avenue to a point 29 metres further south, from 7:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, would provide short-term parking opportunities for approximately 10 vehicles. Parking would be prohibited at all other times. The area has to be divided into two zones due to the location of a build-out.

There would be no negative impact on the existing on-street parking spaces, as parking is currently prohibited on both sides of the subject section of Arlington Avenue. In light of the one-way southbound traffic operation, short-term parking can be allowed without
adversely affecting southbound vehicular movement or obstructing sightlines as the roadway is 7.4 metres wide in this area.

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