Drop Off / Pick Up Area: Parent Avenue

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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that Community Council has delegated authority to make a final decision, provided that it is not amended so that it varies with City policy or by-laws.

To obtain approval to amend the existing parking regulations on the south side of Parent Avenue from a point 81 metres west of Roding Street to a point 18 metres further west, in the vicinity of the playground entrance to St. Conrad School.

Amendments to the existing parking regulations will address concerns with respect to the safety of students during drop-off and pick-up operations in front of St. Conrad School.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, North York District recommends that North York Community Council:

1. Approve the removal of 30 minute parking, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Parent Avenue, from Exbury Road to Roding Street;

2. Approve the installation of 30 minute parking, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Parent Avenue, from Roding Street to a point 81 metres further west;
3. Approve the installation of 'No Standing, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday' on the south side of Parent Avenue from a point 81 metres west of Roding Street to a point 18 metres further west; and

4. Approve the installation of 30 minute parking, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Parent Avenue, from a point 99 metres west of Roding Street to Exbury Road.

Financial Impact

All costs associated with the amendments to the parking regulations are included in the Transportation Services, North York District's 2013 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services, North York District, was requested by the Ward Councillor on behalf of St. Conrad School to review the feasibility of amending the parking regulations on Parent Avenue, adjacent to St. Conrad Catholic Elementary School located at 5 Exbury Road.

The Principal of St. Conrad School is concerned that the existing 30 minute parking along the south side of Parent Avenue is not working, as vehicles are parking beyond the permitted 30 minute duration. Therefore, the School is requesting that a short term drop off/pick up zone be located on the south side of Parent Avenue, adjacent to the existing playground entrance to the school, approximately 81 metres west of Roding Street.

COMMENTS

Parent Avenue is a two-lane local roadway with an approximate pavement width of 8.5 metres and a posted speed limit of 40 km/h. This section of the roadway is comprised of single family residential dwellings. Located to the southeast of the intersection of Exbury Road and Parent Avenue are St. Conrad Catholic Elementary School and Roding Community Centre/Park.

St. Conrad Catholic Elementary School has one parking lot located at the south end of the school property, which operates as the school bus loading zone and staff/visitor parking area. Student drop off and pick up occurs on the south side of Parent Avenue from Exbury Road to Roding Street and on the east side of Exbury Road between Parent Avenue and Deevale Road.

The current parking by-laws for this area are as follows:

- Parking is permitted for a maximum of 30 minutes from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Parent Avenue, from Exbury Road to Roding Street; and
No stopping is prohibited from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Parent Avenue from Exbury Road to Roding Street.

Staff observations have concluded that when parents are dropping off and picking up their children, they are parking beyond the permitted 30 minute duration.

In order to ensure that motorists do not park within the short term drop off/pick up zone, a no standing restriction will be implemented from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side from a point 81 metres west of Roding Street to a point 18 metres further west.

The Ward Councillor has been advised of the recommendations contained within this report.

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**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1: Map – Parking Pro: Parent Avenue