

**School Bus Loading Zone – Seasons Drive**

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<b>To:</b>	Scarborough Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 42 – Scarborough-Rouge River
<b>Reference Number:</b>	P:\2013\Cluster B\TRA\Scarborough\sc1345 D13-5377756 – 8 Seasons Drive School Bus Loading Zone

**SUMMARY**

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This staff report concerns the feasibility of installing "School Bus Loading Zone" regulations, fronting Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Catholic School located at 8 Seasons Drive.

The proposed school parking regulations will provide a dedicated location for school buses to load and unload students at this new school.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

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**Transportation Services recommends that:**

1. City Council enact the school bus loading zone and parking regulations, as identified in Appendix 1 of this report.
2. City Council pass or amend the appropriate by-law(s) accordingly.

**Financial Impact**

The financial cost of installing these parking regulation signs is approximately \$1,000.00. Funding for the signs is available in the Transportation Services 2013 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

## ISSUE BACKGROUND

As a result of a request from school board personnel with Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Catholic School, Transportation Services staff reviewed this location to determine the feasibility of installing a "School Bus Loading Zone" fronting the school's property.

## COMMENTS

The following characteristics describe the area surrounding Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Catholic School:

- The planned completion/opening of this new school in September 2013 will create additional busing activity in this area.
- The school bus loading zone will be able to accommodate approximately three large school buses.
- The Toronto Transit Commission operates a revenue service on Seasons Drive.
- There are continuous sidewalks on both sides of Seasons Drive in the area of the school.
- The land uses in the surrounding area of the school consists of single family residential dwellings and townhouses complexes.
- Season Drive is classified as a local road with a posted speed limit of 40 km/h.
- An All-Way Stop Control is located to the west of the school at Oasis Boulevard and Seasons Drive.
- The recorded daily traffic volume on Seasons Drive in 2006 was in excess of 3,300 vehicles per day (vpd).
- The 24 hour vehicle volume and speed on Seasons Drive, west of Grosbeak Crescent was 54 km/h for eastbound vehicles and 51 km/h for westbound vehicles respectively.
- Brookside Public School is located at 75 Oasis Boulevard; adjacent to Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Catholic School.
- Oasis Boulevard is classified as a posted 40 km/h collector road with a recorded daily traffic in excess of 6,700 vpd.
- The 24 hour-vehicle volume and speed fronting Brookside Public School on Oasis Boulevard, is 44 km/h for northbound vehicles and 42 km/h for southbound vehicles.

### *Parking Regulations*

Parking prohibitions / regulations in the City of Toronto are recommended and adopted by Council on an as needed basis.

We anticipate that the amended parking regulations will enhance safety for both motorists and school bus passengers. The amended regulations will provide a School Bus Loading Zone for the exclusive use of dedicated school bus vehicles to load and unload school bus passengers.

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**SIGNATURE**

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**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Appendix 1 – By-law Amendment (rescind)
2. Appendix 2 – By-law Amendment (enact)
3. Location Plan (School Bus Loading Zone – Seasons Drive)

Appendix 1

“No Parking”  
Regulations to be Rescinded

(From Column 1 Highway)	(From Column 2 Side)	From	(From Column 3 To)	(From Column 4 Times or Days)
Seasons Drive	North	Oasis Boulevard	A point 60 metres east of Oasis Boulevard	Anytime
Seasons Drive	Both	Oasis Boulevard	Staines Road	6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday

Appendix 2

“No Parking”  
Regulations to be Enacted

(In Column 1 Highway)	(In Column 2 Side)	(In Column 3 From To)	(In Column 4 Times or Days)
Seasons Drive	North	A point 105 metres east of Oasis Boulevard	Staines Road 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday
Seasons Drive	South	Oasis Boulevard	Staines Road 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday

“School Bus Loading Zones”  
Regulation to be Enacted

(In Column 1 Location)	(In Column 2 Side)	(In Column 3 Between)	(In Column 4 Time and/or Days)
Seasons Drive	North	Oasis Boulevard and a point 105 metres east of Oasis Boulevard	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday

“School Bus Loading Zones”  
Regulation to be Enacted

(In Column 1 Location)	(In Column 2 Side)	(In Column 3 Name of School or Institution)
8 Seasons Drive	North	Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Catholic School