SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval to amend the existing operating times of the “Student Pick-up/Drop-off Area” on the north side of Wembley Road, west of Bathurst Street, for the Forest Hill Montessori School (No. 2 Wembley Road). The proposed changes will provide additional short-term parking opportunities for parents/guardians to accompany students to/from the school.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Amend the existing "10-minute maximum time limit parking, 8:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. and 3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m., Monday to Friday" on the north side of Wembley Road, between a point 15 metres west of Bathurst Street and a point 48 metres further west, to operate from 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m., Monday to Friday, between a point 15 metres west of Bathurst Street and a point 33 metres further west.

2. Amend the existing "No Parking, 4:15 p.m. of one day to 8:45 a.m. of the next following day, 9:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m., Monday to Friday and anytime, Saturdays and Sundays" on the north side of Wembley Road, between a point 15 metres west of Bathurst Street and a point 48 metres further west, to operate from 4:15 p.m. of one day to 8:30 a.m. of the next following day, 9:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and from 1:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday to Friday and
anytime, Saturdays and Sundays, between a point 15 metres west of Bathurst Street and a point 33 metres further west.

**Financial Impact**
Funds to undertake the necessary signage adjustments in the estimated amount of $300.00 are contained within the Transportation Services 2013 Operating Budget.

**ISSUE BACKGROUND**
At the request of Councillor Joe Mihevc, on behalf of the Forest Hill Montessori School (No. 2 Wembley Road), Transportation Services reviewed the proposal to extend short-term parking for parents/guardians picking-up and dropping-off children attending the school. The student pick-up/drop-off area was originally installed in 2000 (Toronto Community Council Report No. 18, Clause No. 57). Current operating times do not address the needs of the parents/guardians picking-up or dropping-off students at the school now.

**COMMENTS**
Wembley Road is a local road that operates two-way on a pavement width of 7.3 metres and a maximum speed limit of 40 km/h. There is no TTC service on this street.

Forest Hill Montessori School is located on the north side of Wembley Road, immediately west of Bathurst Street. A student pick-up/drop-off area was installed on the north side of Bathurst Street in 2000 and it provides space for about six vehicles. The following parking regulations are currently in effect within the student pick-up/drop-off area:

- "10 minute maximum parking, 8:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. and 3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m., Monday to Friday"; and
- "No Parking, 4:15 p.m. of one day to 8:45 a.m. of the next following day, 9:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m., Monday to Friday and anytime, Saturdays and Sundays.

The existing times of operation of the student pick-up/drop-off area no longer address the needs of the parents/guardians picking-up or dropping-off students at the school. Parents/guardians have advised school administrators that their vehicles are being ticketed while they are temporarily parked in order to escort students to/from the school.

In this regard, we have received a request to amend the times when parking is allowed for a maximum period of 10-minutes to be more suitable with the current needs of the parents/guardians and to reduce the incidences of ticketing. The proposed times would be 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m., Monday to Friday. The proposed changes are feasible and will not adversely impact traffic operations in effect on this section of Wembley Road.

Finally, an inconsistency was noted between the by-lawed and signed length of the student pick-up/drop-off area in the field. The approval of the above-noted
recommendations will correct this discrepancy and will not impact the number of spaces currently provided.

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ATTACHMENT
(1) Drawing No. 421G-1105, dated May 2013