

# STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

# **Stopping Prohibition – Amroth Avenue**

Date:	October 15, 2013
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Beaches – East York, Ward 32
Reference Number:	Ts2013200te.top.doc

### **SUMMARY**

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

Transportation Services is requesting authority to change the existing parking prohibition on the west side of Amroth Avenue, between Danforth Avenue to a point 91.4 metres south, to a stopping prohibition. This is in order to discourage motorists from waiting and parking in this area, which causes traffic congestion at the intersection of Danforth Avenue and Amroth Avenue.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

- 1. Rescind the existing parking prohibition on the west side of Amroth Avenue, between Danforth Avenue and a point 91.4 metres south.
- 2. Approve a stopping prohibition on the west side of Amroth Avenue, between Danforth Avenue and a point 91.4 metres south.

## **Financial Impact**

Funding for the installation of signs in the estimated amount of \$500.00 is available within the Transportation Services 2013 Operating Budget.

#### ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of Councillor Mary-Margaret McMahon, Transportation Services reviewed the feasibility of changing the existing parking prohibition on the west side of Amroth Avenue, between Danforth Avenue and a point 91.4 metres south, to a stopping

prohibition. This is in order to discourage waiting and parking by patrons of the Value Village store on the west side of the road, which causes traffic congestion at the intersection of Danforth Avenue and Amroth Avenue.

#### COMMENTS

Amroth Avenue is an 8.5-metre wide, two-way local roadway that runs south from Danforth Avenue, just east of Woodbine Avenue. A Value Village store is located on the west side Amroth Avenue and has its entrance on Danforth Avenue. Parking is prohibited on the west side of Amroth Avenue, between Danforth Avenue and a point 91.4 metres south, in order to discourage parking by patrons of the store. Further south, parking is allowed on the west side for one-hour during the day and by permit overnight. Parking is prohibited on the entire east side of Amroth Avenue. There is no TTC service on Amroth Avenue.

Observations revealed that patrons of the Value Village store frequently park on the west side of Amroth Avenue, disregarding the parking prohibition. Also, accessible permit holders can park in this area since they are exempt from the parking prohibition. At busier times, motorists park up to the intersection with Danforth Avenue. When this occurs it is difficult and potentially unsafe for motorists to turn left from Danforth Avenue onto Amroth Avenue and vice versa.

Changing the existing parking prohibition on the west side of Amroth Avenue, between Danforth Avenue to a point 91.4 metres south, to a stopping prohibition would further discourage parking in this area. Also, accessible permit holders would not be exempt from the proposed stopping prohibition. Parking is available for patrons of the Value Village store in a Green P parking lot on the west side of Amroth Avenue, about 90 metres south of Danforth Avenue. The proposed parking changes should improve traffic operations on Amroth Avenue and at the intersection of Danforth Avenue and Amroth Avenue.

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(1) Drawing No. 421G-1227, dated October 2013

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