

Stop Control: St. Dennis Drive Ramp to Eglinton Avenue East

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To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, North York District
Wards:	Ward 26 – Don Valley West
Reference Number:	<i>p:/2014/ClusterB/TRA/NorthYork/ny14033</i>

SUMMARY

As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a transit service on both St. Dennis Drive/Wynford Drive and Eglinton Avenue East, City Council approval of this report is required.

To obtain approval to require northbound vehicles on the ramp from St. Dennis Drive to stop at the ramp to Eglinton Avenue East from Wynford Drive.

The installation of a stop control for northbound vehicles on St. Dennis Drive at the ramp to Eglinton Avenue East will address the right-of-way concerns at the intersection.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, North York District recommends that:

1. City Council approve the removal of the existing yield control on St. Dennis Drive at the ramp to Eglinton Avenue East; and
2. City Council approve the installation of a stop control for northbound vehicles on St. Dennis Drive at the ramp to Eglinton Avenue East.

Financial Impact

All costs associated with the installation of a northbound stop control are included within the Transportation Services 2014 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services, North York District, was requested by the Councillor to review the feasibility of replacing the existing yield sign with a stop sign for northbound vehicles at the intersection of St. Dennis Drive and the ramp to Eglinton Avenue East.

COMMENTS

St. Dennis Drive is classified as a minor arterial road with a regulatory speed limit of 50 km/h. The ramp connecting St. Dennis Drive to Eglinton Avenue East is classified as a major arterial roadway given that it forms part of Eglinton Avenue East corridor. The regulatory speed limit on this ramp is 50 km/h. Currently, northbound vehicles on the ramp from St. Dennis Drive, accessing the ramp to Eglinton Avenue East are required to yield.

In assessing this request, staff observations have verified concerns that there is a non-compliance of the yield sign that creates unsafe situations. There are no Toronto Transit Commission bus routes on the ramp, however, the proposed stop location is within close proximity to both Eglinton Avenue East and Wynford Drive.

In view of the above, staff recommends the replacement of the existing yield control with a stop control for northbound motorists on St. Dennis Drive approaching the ramp to Eglinton Avenue East. This will improve the level of safety for vehicles within the intersection.

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

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – St. Dennis Dr. ramp to Eglinton Ave E