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Date: March 21, 2014
To: Members of the Scarborough Community Council
From: Councillor Paul Ainslie
Subject: Parking and Traffic Regulations on Bonspiel Drive, Tams Road, and Schmirler Terrace - Ward 43

RECOMMENDATION(S)

That Toronto City Council authorize the General Manager of Transportation Services to approve the installation of traffic signs to limit parking to 30 minutes from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday to Friday on Bonspiel Drive and the installation of Do Not Enter signs on Tams Roads from Morningside Avenue from 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. to Tams Road Monday through to Friday.

That the City of Toronto Transportation and Parking Division take the necessary measures to implement the required by-law changes within the area affected by the new traffic implementations.

BACKGROUND

A number of residents contacted my office concerned with parked vehicles along Bonspiel Drive, Tams Road, and Schmirler Terrace as well as an increase in traffic volume in the community being with many motorists traveling through as shortcut to gain access to Military Trail Road. Many of the parked cars it is believed are students who are accessing both the University of Toronto Scarborough Campus and Centennial College. The parked cars remain on the local road for an excess of 5 hours.

The parked cars have caused several difficulties for residents when trying to access their community super mailboxes as vehicles, park along the entire stretch of the street blocking residents' access. The volume of vehicles has caused disruption within the community as residents are experiencing difficulty exiting their driveways specifically during the hours of 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday through to Friday.

Working with the City of Toronto Transportation & Parking Division, I surveyed the residents door to door to explore what type of traffic prohibitions if any they would like to see implemented. The City of Toronto Transportation & Parking Division endorsed the selection. Residents were advised that the outcome may require a by-law change within the area and that the measures would have an equally adverse effect on travel routes for local residents since there are no exceptions to the restriction for residents. In addition, school buses and other vehicles servicing the community would also be affected.

- a. 24% No Parking along the Bonspiel Drive near the mail box.
- b. **52 % Limit parking to 30 minutes from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday to Friday on Bonspiel Dr.**
- c. 28% No Parking 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday to Friday.
- d. **76% Yes, I support the installation of Do Not Enter sign on Tams Road from Morningside Avenue from 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. to Tams Road Monday through to Friday.**
- e. 25% No, I do not support the installation of Do Not Enter sign on Tams Roads from Morningside Avenue from 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. to Tams Road Monday through to Friday.

As the community readies for the upcoming Pan Am Games, they feel they may be burdened with an increase of parked cars and vehicle traffic. In order to address both these issues, I ask that you support the resident's choice to Limit parking to 30 minutes from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday to Friday on Bonspiel Drive and support the installation of Do Not Enter sign on Tams Roads from Morningside Avenue from 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. to Tams Road Monday through to Friday

Sincerely,

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