

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Stopping Prohibitions: Toro Road between Keele Street and Alexdon Road

Date:	January 30, 2015
To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, North York District
Wards:	Ward 8 – York West
Reference Number:	$p:\ \ District \ \ ny15026$

SUMMARY

Transportation Services is requesting approval to prohibit stopping during peak periods on both sides of Toro Road between Keele Street and Alexdon Road.

The installation of stopping prohibitions will address concerns with respect to parked vehicles obstructing two-way traffic flow along Toro Road.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services Division recommends that North York Community Council request:

City Council to prohibit stopping from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on both sides of Toro Road between Keele Street and Alexdon Road.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with the installation of stopping prohibitions on Toro Road are included within the Transportation Services Division's 2015 Operating Budget estimates.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services Division was requested by the Ward Councillor, to review the feasibility of prohibiting stopping on both sides of Toro Road between Keele Street and Alexdon Road.

Constituents that commute through the area are concerned and vehicles parked on both sides of the roadway restrict the access/egress to driveways and impedes safe flow of two-way traffic.

COMMENTS

The Toronto Transit Commission is operating the 107 Keele bus route along Toro Road. This route is also experiencing higher traffic volumes due to road closures for the Finch West subway construction.

Currently, parking is prohibited on the both sides of Toro Road between Keele Street and the east end of Toro Road.

Staff observations along Toro Road have confirmed that parked vehicles are restricting the visibility of motorists entering and exiting the driveways and impeding the safe flow of two-way traffic along Toro Road. Furthermore, Toro Road is located immediately east and south of signalized intersections and the vehicles parked along Toro Road reduce the eastbound and westbound through traffic capacity during the peak travel periods that is resulting in delays in critical traffic movements along this section of roadway.

In order to improve vehicle circulation for two-way traffic and access to commercial driveways, Transportation Services recommends that stopping be prohibited during peak periods on both sides of Toro Road, between Keele Street and Alexdon Road.

The Ward Councillor supports the recommendations contained in this staff report.

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Attachment 1: Map