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STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Residential Driveway Apron Parking: Shoreham Drive

| Date: | January 30, 2015 |
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| То: | North York Community Council |
| From: | Director, Transportation Services, North York District |
| Wards: | Ward 8 – York West |
| Reference Number: | p:\2015/Cluster B/TRA/North York/ny15027 |

SUMMARY

This report is in response to the deferred motion from North York Community Council dated January 13, 2015 related to NY3.52 Pilot Project to Allow Conditional Residential Driveway Apron Parking in Ward 8.

North York Community Council deferred consideration of the memo dated January 13, 2015 from Councillor Peruzza requesting that the Director of North York Transportation Services define the area involved, and referred to, in the attached original motion. Revised amendments to Municipal Code Chapter 918, Parking on Residential Front Yards and Boulevards are provided which refer specifically to Shoreham Drive, only.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council approve an exemption to allow for the parking of vehicles on driveways within the portion of the boulevard that is situated between the travelled portion of the roadway and the sidewalk, on Shoreham Drive only, by amending Section 918-2 of City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 918, Parking on Residential Front Yards and Boulevards, by adding a new Subsection C.1 as follows:

"C.1 Despite Subsections 918-2B and 918-2C, in Ward 8, where authorized under this chapter, a motor vehicle may be parked anywhere within the confines of that portion of the boulevard within a private driveway, on Shoreham Drive only, between the travelled portion of the roadway and the sidewalk, provided that

the General Manager is satisfied that the parking conforms to the following criteria:

- 1. The parking does not obstruct or impede pedestrian or vehicle traffic.
- 2. When parked, there is a minimum setback of 0.3 metres from the travelled portion of the roadway and the motor vehicle as well as a minimum setback of 0.3 metres from the motor vehicle and the front edge of the sidewalk;
- 3. The parking shall be perpendicular to the face of the curb or the edge of the travelled portion of the roadway;
- 4. The parking does not interfere with the safe operation of the street and sidewalk;
- 5. When parked, there is a minimum clearance of 2.0 metres from the motor vehicle and any and all fire hydrants."
- 2. City Council direct the General Manager Transportation Services to monitor the operations of the street and report back to the North York Community Council if necessary.

Financial Impact

There are no financial impacts resulting from the receipt of this report.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

North York Community Council requested Transportation Services to review Councillor Peruzza's motion in the attached memo dated January 13, 2015 and define the area involved in this motion.

City staff have reviewed this request and determined that the area affected is specifically on driveways directly fronting the residential properties addressed on Shoreham Drive from Norfinch Drive to Jane Street.

Shoreham Drive was initially constructed with sidewalks set back a significant distance from the edge of the roadway, creating a driveway apron of six metres within the boulevard at the residential properties on this street. The width of this driveway apron is more than double the typical width of three metres at residential properties within the former City of North York. Many residents of Shoreham Drive use this driveway apron to park their vehicles.

Transportation Services has reviewed the parking of vehicles on the driveway aprons on Shoreham Drive. Given the width of the driveway apron, it is possible for these vehicles to park perpendicular to the road, between the sidewalk and the curb, without blocking either the sidewalk or the roadway. It is therefore possible to exempt the properties on Shoreham Drive from the provision of Municipal Code Chapter 918, Parking on Residential Front Yards and Boulevards, given certain conditions that ensure parked vehicles do not cause a safety hazard.

It should be noted that the close proximity of these vehicles to the roadway will affect the ability of Transportation Services staff to clear snow windrows from these driveways during winter maintenance activities.

Should the proposed exemption be approved for properties on Shoreham Drive, Transportation Services will continue to review the operations on this street and report back to North York Community Council if necessary.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Memorandum January 13 – Councillor Anthony Perruzza Attachment 2: Aerial Map