

Through Restriction: Northcliffe Boulevard at Eglinton Avenue West

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To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, North York District
Wards:	Ward 15 – Eglinton - Lawrence
Reference Number:	<i>p:\2015/Cluster B/TRA/North York/ny15062</i>

SUMMARY

As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a transit service on Northcliffe Boulevard, City Council approval of this report is required.

Transportation services is requesting to prohibit straight-through movements from northbound Northcliffe Boulevard at Eglinton Avenue West into a private driveway

Amendments to prohibit straight-through movements at this intersection will address concerns from the property owner of 1736 Eglinton Avenue West regarding vehicles cutting-through private property.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council approve the prohibition of straight-through movements (bicycles excepted) from northbound Northcliffe Boulevard at Eglinton Avenue West into the driveway of 1736 Eglinton Avenue West.

Financial Impact

All costs associated with the introduction of compulsory turns are included within the Transportation Services 2015 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services, North York District, was requested by the Ward Councillor and the property owner of 1736 Eglinton Avenue West to review the feasibility of restricting straight-through movements from the end of Northcliffe Boulevard into the driveway of the above mentioned property in order to reduce the number of vehicles cutting-through the property to access northbound Locksley Avenue.

COMMENTS

Northcliffe Boulevard is classified as a collector road and primarily serves to connect northwest-bound traffic on Vaughan Road to Eglinton Avenue West. Locksley Avenue is classified as a local road and intersects with Eglinton Avenue West approximately 30 metres east of the intersection with Northcliffe Boulevard. Traffic is restricted to one-way northbound on both Northcliffe Boulevard and Locksley Avenue. 1736 Eglinton Avenue West, a commercial property located at the northwest corner of Eglinton Avenue West and Locksley Avenue, has an access onto Eglinton Avenue West directly opposite the end of Northcliffe Boulevard. In addition, the property has an access onto Locksley Avenue.

Currently, a motorist travelling northbound on Northcliffe Boulevard wishing to continue northbound on Locksley Avenue must make a right turn onto Eglinton Avenue West, travel 30 metres, and then make a left turn onto Locksley Avenue. However, the property owner reports that vehicles often make this movement by cutting through the parking lot of the commercial property. Such a vehicle will proceed straight-through from the end of Northcliffe Boulevard, pass through the parking lot, then make a left turn onto Locksley Avenue. Staff observations have verified these concerns.

In view of the above, staff recommends the installation of a prohibition on straight-through movements from the end of Northcliffe Boulevard into the driveway of 1736 Eglinton Avenue West. Bicycles should be exempt from this prohibition.

The Ward Councillor has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report and the property owner supports the recommendation of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – Straight Through Prohibition: Northcliffe Boulevard at
 Eglinton Avenue West