

Stopping Regulation – Kingston Road at Harewood Avenue

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To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 36– Scarborough Southwest
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SUMMARY

During an operational review at the intersection of Kingston Road and Harewood Avenue, Transportation Services staff identified deficiencies in sightlines, resulting in potential conflicts for northbound left-turn and right-turn movements.

It is recommended that stopping be prohibited on Kingston Road at the southwest corner of the above-noted intersection by removing one parking spot from the parking lay-by in order to improve sightlines and operational safety.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council prohibit stopping at all times on the south side of Kingston Road, from Harewood Avenue to a point 36 metres west.

Financial Impact

The financial cost of installing the subject No Stopping sign is approximately \$250.00. Funding for the signs is available in the Transportation Services 2015 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Further to an operational review of the intersection of Kingston Road and Harewood Avenue, Transportation Services staff identified that sightlines at the southwest corner are currently insufficient. The view of oncoming traffic is obstructed by parked vehicles

in the parking lay-by on Kingston Road, west of the intersection. This results in potential conflicts for northbound left-turn and right-turn movements.

COMMENTS

The following characteristics describe the intersection of Kingston Road and Harewood Avenue:

- Kingston Road is a seven-lane major arterial roadway;
- Kingston Road has a speed limit of 50 kilometres per hour (km/h);
- Harewood Avenue is a local roadway;
- There is no Toronto Transit Commission (T.T.C.) bus stop at the subject corner of the intersection;
- Traffic control signals are located at Kingston Road and St. Clair Avenue 230 metres west of Harewood Avenue;
- Sidewalks are located on both sides of Kingston Road and Harewood Avenue; and
- The land uses on this section of Kingston Road are commercial and single family residential. The land use on Harewood Avenue is single family residential.

By removing one parking spot from the south side of Kingston Road at the southwest corner of the intersection, sightlines for northbound left-turn and right-turn vehicles on Harewood will improve. This will improve safety and reduce the potential for conflicts. However, no physical changes are being made at this time but the area will be signed and marked as a no stopping zone.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Location Plan (Stopping Regulation – Kingston Road at Harewood Avenue)