# TORONTO STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

# **Parking Amendments – Pleasant Boulevard**

Date:	August 24, 2015
То:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District
Wards:	St. Paul's, Ward 22
Reference Number:	Ts2015147te.top.doc

# SUMMARY

Transportation Services is requesting approval from City Council to introduce a temporal "No Standing" regulation, operating from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Pleasant Boulevard, fronting Premises Nos. 45 to 79.

The introduction of this regulation will improve parking turnover and create greater opportunities for all motorists, including area residents, to park momentarily throughout the day while in the process of picking-up/dropping off passengers, or goods.

# RECOMMENDATIONS

#### **Transportation Services recommends that:**

- 1. City Council rescind the existing "No Parking, Monday to Saturday" regulation, on the south side of Pleasant Boulevard, from a point 141 metres east of Yonge Street and a point 55.5 metres further east.
- 2. City Council prohibit standing, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Pleasant Boulevard, from a point 141 metres east of Yonge Street, to a point 55.5 metres further east.
- 3. City Council prohibit parking, from 9:00 a.m. of one day, to 7:00 a.m. of the next following day, Monday to Friday, and at anytime Saturday, on the south side of Pleasant Boulevard, from a point 141 metres east of Yonge Street, to a point 55.5 metres further east .

#### **Financial Impact**

Funds to undertake the necessary signage adjustments in the estimated amount of \$1000.00 are contained within Transportation Services 2015 Interim Operating Budget.

#### **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

At the request of representatives of TSCC No. 1940 and in consultation with Councillor Josh Matlow, Transportation Services reviewed a request to introduce a "No Standing" regulation, operating from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, fronting the condominium townhouse properties located on the south side of Pleasant Boulevard, from premises Nos. 45 to 79, as a means to reduce the amount of early morning long-duration parking that is taking place.

#### COMMENTS

Pleasant Boulevard, between Yonge Street and Avoca Avenue, is a local road that operates two-way on a variable pavement width of 7.3 to 10.8 metres and with a posted speed limit of 40 km/h. There is TTC service on Pleasant Boulevard.

The following parking regulations are posted on the south side of Pleasant Boulevard:

- Parking is prohibited at anytime from Yonge Street to a point 97.5 metres further east;
- Parking is prohibited from Monday to Saturday, from a point 97.5 metres east of Yonge Street to a point 22.5 metres further east and from a point 141 metres east of Yonge Street to a point 55.5 metres further east;
- An "Accessible Loading Zone", operates from a point 120 metres east of Yonge Street to a point 21 metres further east.
- Stopping is prohibited from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays, from Yonge Street to a point 97.5 metres further east.
- Standing is prohibited at anytime, from a point 196.5 metres east of Yonge Street, to Avoca Avenue.

Skywater Property Management, on behalf of the board of directors of TSCC No. 1940, representing the residents of the townhomes fronting Nos. 45-79 Pleasant Boulevard, have requested that a "No Standing" regulation be introduced to reduce parking that is occurring fronting their premises in the early morning. Under the existing "No Parking" regulation that operates fronting this location, motorists are currently prohibited from parking from Monday to Saturday. However, under a "No Parking" regulation, motorists displaying accessible parking permits are exempt from this prohibition and may park up to maximum period of 24 hours. The residents of the adjacent townhomes have indicated that these motorists consist mainly of commuters, in possession of accessible parking permits, who park their vehicles during the early morning periods and then walk to the nearby subway station.

Transportation staff have undertaken investigations at this location and have confirmed that the vast majority of the parked vehicles at this location display accessible parking permits. Many of the operators of these vehicles headed directly to the nearby subway station and their vehicles remained parked along this curb space until the late afternoon. As a result, there was very little parking turnover at this location throughout the daytime periods, which makes it difficult for residents and other motorists to park and pick-up or drop-off passengers or the delivery of goods.

The introduction of the proposed "No Standing - 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday" regulation, is being used as a means to reduce daily, long-duration, parking by motorists displaying accessible parking permits. A "No Standing" regulation only allows motorists to stop momentarily while in the process of receiving/discharging passengers. Holders of accessible parking permits are not exempt from this regulation,

Implementing this regulation, will not only result in greater opportunities for other (noncommuter) accessible permit holders to park after 9 a.m., it will also improve motorist turnover, thereby increasing the probability that other motorists, such as residents and delivery vehicle operators, will be able to find an available parking space while in the process of picking-up/dropping-off goods, or passengers. As a further benefit, the implementation of this regulation may also allow for enhanced snow clearing and mechanical cleaning on this section of roadway. Councillor Josh Matlow has indicated his support for the introduction of this regulation.

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# SIGNATURE

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### LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-1889, dated August 2015.

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