



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Left-turn Amendment – Broadview Avenue

Date:	August 28, 2015
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York
Wards:	Toronto – Danforth, Ward 29
Reference Number:	Ts2015154te.top.doc

SUMMARY

Transportation Services is requesting approval from Toronto and East York Community Council to exempt shuttle buses from the existing left-turn prohibition at the intersection of Broadview Avenue and Erindale Avenue.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council rescind the existing southbound left turn prohibition from Broadview Avenue to Erindale Avenue from 7:00 to 9:00 a.m. and from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, TTC Vehicles Excepted; and
2. City Council prohibit southbound left turns from Broadview Avenue to Erindale Avenue from 7:00 to 9:00 a.m. and from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, TTC Vehicles and Buses Excepted.

Financial Impact

Funding for the installation of signs in the estimated amount of \$400.00 is available within the Transportation Services 2015 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Councillor Mary Fragedakis, on behalf of area residents and Evergreen Brick Works requested Transportation Services to review the need to exempt the Evergreen Brick Works shuttle bus from the existing southbound left-turn prohibition from Broadview Avenue to Erindale Avenue during morning and afternoon weekday peak periods.

COMMENTS

Erindale Avenue, at its intersection with Broadview Avenue, is stop controlled and is a local two-lane, two-way roadway, which forms the east leg of a “T”-type intersection. Daily traffic volumes on Erindale Avenue are approximately 1,400 vehicles. Broadview Avenue is an arterial roadway with an average daily traffic volume of approximately 26,000 vehicles. Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates service on Broadview Avenue with buses making a southbound left-turn from Broadview Avenue to Erindale Avenue in order to access the Broadview Subway Station and northbound streetcars enter by turning right from Broadview Avenue and then turning left from Erindale Avenue when exiting. TTC Routes 504 King and 505 Dundas have a TTC stop on Erindale Avenue.

In 2003, southbound left turns were prohibited from Broadview Avenue to Erindale Avenue from 7:00 to 9:00 a.m. and from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, "TTC Vehicles Excepted" to reduce transient traffic through the adjacent residential community (Playter Estates).

In 2010, Evergreen Brick Works opened as a year-round facility demonstrating how past and present can work together to create greener models for urban living providing various activities and events throughout the year. Since that time Evergreen Brick Works has been operating a shuttle bus from the parkette on the south side of Erindale Avenue, just east of Broadview Avenue, providing service every 15 minutes. Currently, the shuttle bus is not exempt from the southbound left turn prohibition during the morning and afternoon peaks periods and must drive through the neighboring streets to access its pick-up and drop-off location.

It is feasible to exempt the shuttle bus from this restriction by inserting "TTC Vehicles and Buses Excepted" tabs on the existing turn prohibition signs.

Councillor Mary Fragedakis is aware of this matter and supports the recommendation.

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-1890, dated August 2015

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