



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Parking Amendments – Raymond Avenue

Date:	March 29, 2016
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 13 – Parkdale-High Park
Reference Number:	p:\2016\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc160064-to

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval for the amendment of the parking regulations on Raymond Avenue between Jane Street and Humbercrest Lane. At the request of the area Councillor, on behalf of the residents of Raymond Avenue that submitted a signed petition, the removal of the current alternate north and south side parking to a fixed south side parking only regulation is requested to maximize the amount of parking space availability for both short-term and over-night permit parking.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council:

1. Rescind the existing “No Parking, From the 16th day of each month to the last day of each month, Apr. 1 to Nov. 30, inclusive” regulation on the north side of Raymond Avenue between Humbercrest Lane and a point 40.6 metres west of Jane Street.
2. Rescind the existing “No Parking Anytime, Dec. 1 to Mar. 31, inclusive” regulation on the north side of Raymond Avenue between Humbercrest Lane and a point 40.6 metres west of Jane Street.
3. Rescind the existing “No Parking, From the 1st day of each month to the 15th day of each month, Apr. 1 to Nov. 30, inclusive” regulation on the south side of Raymond Avenue between Humbercrest Lane and a point 40.6 metres west of Jane Street.

4. Rescind the existing “One Hour Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. from the 1st day of each month to the 15th day of each month, Apr. 1 to Nov. 30, inclusive” regulation on the north side of Raymond Avenue between Humbercrest Lane and a point 40.6 metres west of Jane Street.
5. Rescind the existing “One Hour Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., from the 16th day of each month to the last day of each month, Apr. 1 to Nov. 30, inclusive” regulation on the south side of Raymond Avenue between Humbercrest Lane and a point 40.6 metres west of Jane Street.
6. Rescind the existing “One Hour Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Dec. 1 of one year to Mar. 31 of the next following year, inclusive” regulation on the south side of Raymond Avenue between Humbercrest Lane and a point 40.6 metres west of Jane Street.
7. Rescind the existing “Permit Parking” regulation on the south side of Raymond Avenue between Jane Street and Humbercrest Lane.
8. Rescind the existing “Permit Parking” regulation on the north side of Raymond Avenue between Jane Street and Humbercrest Lane.
9. Prohibit parking anytime on the north side of Raymond Avenue from Humbercrest Lane and a point 40.6 metres west of Jane Street.
10. Authorize parking for a maximum period of one hour from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on the south side of Raymond Avenue between Humbercrest Lane and a point 40.6 metres west of Jane Street.
11. Prohibit parking except by permit from 12:00 midnight to 6:00 a.m. daily on the south side of Raymond Avenue between Jane Street and Humbercrest Lane.

Financial Impact

The estimated cost for amending the signs is \$600.00. These funds are included within the Transportation Services 2016 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services investigated a request from the office of the area Councillor, on behalf of the residents of Raymond Avenue, to amend the parking regulations to permit year-round parking on the south side of Raymond Avenue between Humbercrest Lane and Jane Street.

Residents of the street have indicated an increase demand for on-street parking permits. An on-street survey of parking space availability found 28 spaces can be accommodated on the north side and 35 spaces on the south side of the street. Under the current parking arrangement, vehicles park alternately on the north and south sides depending on the day of the month and time of year. Amending the parking regulations to allow parking only on the south side of the street year-round, maximizes the parking availability for both visitors and residents. The current parking regulations and proposed amendments are shown on the area maps (Attachment 1, Attachment 2).

COMMENTS

Raymond Avenue is an 8.5 metres wide roadway classified in the City's Road Classification System as a "Local". The street is located in the residential community west of Jane Street, north of Bloor Street West. The road operates two-way eastbound and westbound between Jane Street and Humbercrest Lane. Raymond Avenue is built to urban standards (curb and gutter) with sidewalks on both sides of the street. The statutory speed limit on the road is 50 km/h. Stop sign controls are in place on Raymond Avenue at both ends of the street.

Currently, on-street parking on Raymond Avenue employs an alternate side parking arrangement. From April 1st to November 30th from the 1st day of every month to the 15th day, vehicles are permitted to park on the south side for one hour between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. and overnight with on-street parking permits. During these months, from the 16th day to the end of each month parking is then allowed on the north side. During the winter months (December 1st to March 31st) parking is only allowed on the south side.

Based on the request made by the area Councillor and staff's examination of this matter, staff can support the request that the current parking regulations on Raymond Avenue be amended to allow parking only on the south side of the street year round. Moving the parking permanently to the south side will maximize the number of available parking spots and will provide the opportunity for the allocation of additional on-street parking permits.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – Existing Parking Regulations
Attachment 2: Map – Proposed Parking Regulation Amendments