Parking Amendments – Rustic Road

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To: Etobicoke York Community Council
From: Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards: Ward 12 – York South - Weston
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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 Rustic Road, between Culford Road and Blue Springs Road. At the request of the area Councillor, on behalf of the commercial properties on the north side of Rustic Road requesting additional parking for their merchants, parking in the area was investigated. The proposed installation of a new parking lay-by on the south side of Rustic Road, between Culford Road and a point 45.5 metres further east, will help to alleviate the parking shortage. Proposed within the lay-by are 8 additional parking spaces with available parking for a maximum period of one hour. Parking amendments in this report are amended to reflect these conditions.

RECOMMENDATIONS
Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council:

1. Rescind the existing stopping prohibition in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the south side of Rustic Road, between Culford Road and a point 58 metres east.

2. Rescind the existing maximum one-hour parking limit in effect from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. of one day to 7:00 a.m. of the next following day, Monday to Friday, anytime Saturday and Sunday, on the south side of Rustic Road, between Culford Road and a point 58 metres east.
3. Rescind the existing maximum one-hour parking limit in effect on the north side of Rustic Road, between a point 9 metres east of Culford Road and a point 84 metres east thereof.

4. Authorize parking for a maximum period of one hour on the south side of Rustic Road, between Culford Road and a point 58 metres east.

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 commercial properties on the north side of Rustic Road, requesting additional parking for their merchants. A new parking lay-by on the south side of Rustic Road, east of Culford Road is being created as part of construction in the area and the parking regulations also need to be amended within this lay-by.

The current parking regulations and proposed amendments are shown on the area map Attachment 1.

COMMENTS
Rustic Road is a two-lane 8.5 metres wide road classified in the City’s Road Classification System as a “Collector” road, between Keele Street and Culford Road. The subject portion of Rustic Road is located in the residential community west of Keele Street and south of Highway 401. The statutory speed limit on Rustic Road is 30 km/h with traffic calming (speed humps), between Keele Street and Culford Road. Maple Leaf Public School exists on the southeast corner of Rustic Road and Culford Road.

Under the current parking arrangement, vehicles park perpendicular to the curb on the north side fronting the stores in an area with a posted one hour parking limit. On the south side of Rustic Road, between Culford Road and a point 58 metres east, stopping is currently prohibited from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday. During the other hours, parking is allowed for a maximum period of one hour (from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. of one day to 7:00 a.m. of the next following day, Monday to Friday, anytime Saturday and Sunday). Amending the parking regulations on the south side of the street to allow parking at all times for a maximum of one hour maximizes the parking availability for merchants and visitors.

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 Rustic Road be amended to allow additional parking on the south side of the street.
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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – Existing and Proposed Parking Regulation Amendments