Parking Regulation Amendments – Evelyn Avenue, near St. Cecilia Elementary School

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| From:    | Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District |
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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 propose amendments to the parking regulations on Evelyn Avenue near St. Cecilia Elementary School. Staff recommends a "No Stopping Anytime" regulation on the east side of Evelyn Avenue north of Annette Street; and, to reduce the size of the existing school bus loading zone on the east side of Evelyn Avenue south of Annette Street.

The proposed "No Stopping" regulation will assist in alleviating traffic congestion near the intersection of Annette Street and Evelyn Avenue, while the shorter school bus loading zone will provide an area for the school to operate the Parent Safety Program "P.S.P".

**RECOMMENDATIONS**
Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council:

1. Amend the existing parking prohibition in effect on the east side of Evelyn Avenue from 9:01 a.m. to 1:59 p.m., 4:01 p.m. of one day to 7:59 a.m. of the next following day, inclusive, between Annette Street and a point 153 metres north, to be in effect from a point 35 metres north of Annette Street to a point 153 metres north of Annette Street.

2. Amend the existing parking for a maximum period of 15 minutes in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the east side of Evelyn Avenue, between Annette Street and a point 153 metres north, to be in effect from a point 35 metres north of Annette Street to a point 153 metres north of Annette Street.
3. Prohibit stopping at all times on the east side of Evelyn Avenue between Annette Street and a point 35 metres north of Annette Street.

4. Amend the existing School Bus Loading Zone in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., on the east side of Evelyn Avenue between a point 37 metres south of Annette Street and a point 87 metres further south, to be in effect between a point 37 metres south of Annette Street and a point 75 metres further south.

**Financial Impact**
The estimated cost for amending the signs is $450.00. These funds are included within the Transportation Services 2016 Operating Budget.

**ISSUE BACKGROUND**
Transportation Services staff met with the area councillor, Toronto Police Services, Parking Enforcement Unit, principal and parents from St Cecilia Elementary School to discuss concerns in the area of the school. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

**COMMENTS**
St. Cecilia Elementary School is located on the southeast corner of Evelyn Avenue and Annette Street. Evelyn Avenue and Annette Street have sidewalks on both sides of the street with legal speed limits of 40 km/h. The intersection of Annette Street and Evelyn Avenue is a signalized intersection. In addition, an adult crossing guard is located at this intersection during peak school times. The current parking regulations in the area of the school prohibit stopping at all times on both sides of Annette Street in the area of the school. In addition, the majority of the school side frontage on Evelyn Avenue is designated as a school bus loading zone. Overnight permit parking is in effect on the west side of Evelyn Avenue, with a maximum three-hour parking throughout the day, based on the city wide unsigned by-law. Parking is prohibited at all times on the east side of Evelyn Avenue north of Annette Street except for an area just north of Annette Street in which short duration parking is allowed (Maximum 15 minutes) between 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

The area on the east side of Evelyn Avenue north of Annette Street in which the "No Stopping Anytime" prohibition is proposed, is currently signed "No Parking Anytime" as a corner prohibition due to the traffic control signals. Therefore, the proposed stopping prohibition will have no effect on available parking in the area. However, it will assist in reducing congestion in the area of the intersection.

In order to accommodate the P.S.P. program at the school, the existing school bus loading zone will have to be shortened to allow an area for caregivers to load and unload passengers. During our meeting it was determined that the most appropriate area would be on the east side of Evelyn Avenue near the south limit of the school property where a walkway to the school playground is located. As a result, we are also proposing to reduce the length of the existing school bus loading zone by 12 metres to provide an area to operate the P.S.P. This will provide an area for two vehicles while leaving sufficient room to accommodate the school buses that service the school.
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**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1: Map

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