

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Left-Turn Prohibition Amendment – Scarlett Road at Raymore Drive

Date:	September 9, 2016
То:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 2 – Etobicoke North
Reference Number:	p:\2016\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc160150-to

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to rescind the existing southbound "No Left Turn, Anytime" regulation for southbound traffic on Scarlett Road at Raymore Drive to reflect current field conditions. This prohibition is no longer required since the split Pedestrian Crossover (PXO) was replaced with traffic control signals north of the intersection at Hill Garden Road and the pavement markings were amended to create a southbound left-turn lane at Raymore Drive.

As Scarlett Road is a transit route, this matter requires the approval of City Council. Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) staff has been advised of the issue and have not objected to the recommendation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council rescind the existing left-turn prohibition in effect at all times, for southbound traffic on Scarlett Road at Raymore Drive.

Financial Impact

The estimated cost for amending the signs is \$100.00. These funds are included within the Transportation Services 2016 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Transportation Services Division received a request from an area resident to remove the existing southbound left-turn prohibition on Scarlett Road at Raymore Drive. The prohibition of southbound left-turns at this location was previously required to prevent southbound vehicles from queuing and interfering with the safety and operation of the split Pedestrian Crossover (PXO) on the north side of Raymore Drive. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

COMMENTS

According to the City of Toronto's road classification system, Scarlett Road is classified as a 'Minor Arterial' roadway. In the area of Raymore Drive, it has a five lane cross section with a speed limit of 50 km/h. Raymore Drive, is a two-lane 'Local' roadway with a 40 km/h speed limit. The intersection of Scarlett Road and Raymore Drive is controlled by a 'Stop' sign on Raymore Drive facing westbound. In September of 2015 the split PXO which was located on the north side of Raymore Drive, was replaced by traffic control signals at Hill Garden Road.

The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates daily bus service on Scarlett Road with stops located on the south approach to Raymore Drive.

Since the removal of the split PXO and installation of traffic control signals farther north at Hill Garden Road, this turn prohibition is no longer required. Given that a southbound left-turn lane was created on Scarlett Road at Raymore Drive, in conjunction with the removal of the split PXO and the resurfacing of this section of Scarlett Road, the southbound left-turn prohibition signage at Raymore Drive was removed. Given that southbound left-turns from Scarlett Road to Raymore Drive pose no impediment to the traffic operations at the new traffic signal, staff recommends that the current prohibition be rescinded to reflect current field conditions.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 Map