



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Left-turn Amendment – Oriole Parkway and Frobisher Avenue

Date:	July 29, 2016
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Acting Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District
Wards:	St. Paul's, Ward 22
Reference Number:	Ts2016157te.top.doc

SUMMARY

As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a transit service on Oriole Parkway, City Council approval of this report is required.

Transportation Services is requesting approval to exempt TTC vehicles from the existing southbound left-turn prohibition at the intersection of Oriole Parkway and Frobisher Avenue. This exemption will allow TTC service vehicles to directly access the Davisville Yard via Frobisher Avenue during the weekday morning peak period and will reduce traffic infiltration on the adjacent residential streets.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District recommends that:

1. City Council amend the southbound left turn prohibition from Oriole Parkway to Frobisher Avenue from 7:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays, to operate from 7:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays, TTC Vehicles Excepted.

Financial Impact

All costs associated with the necessary signage installation are included within the Transportation Services 2016 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District, was requested by the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) to review the feasibility of exempting TTC vehicles from the southbound left turn prohibition at Oriole Parkway and Frobisher Avenue to provide direct access to their Davisville Yard and reduce traffic infiltration into the adjacent neighbourhood.

COMMENTS

Oriole Parkway is a major arterial road with a posted speed limit of 40 km/h and a daily two-way traffic volume of about 19,000 vehicles. Frobisher Avenue intersects the east side of Oriole Parkway in a stop-controlled, 'T'-type intersection. Frobisher Avenue is an east-west local road with a posted speed limit of 30 km/h and a daily two-way traffic volume of about 2,000 vehicles. The TTC operates the '5 Avenue Rd' and the '142 Downtown/Avenue Rd Express' bus routes on Oriole Parkway with stops provided at Chaplin Crescent to the north and Kilbarry Road to the south.

Southbound left turns are currently prohibited from Oriole Parkway to Frobisher Avenue from 7:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., Monday to Friday, to reduce transient traffic through the adjacent residential community. Access to the TTC's Davisville Yard is located at the intersection of Frobisher Avenue and Lascelles Boulevard, approximately 250 metres southeast of the intersection of Oriole Parkway and Frobisher Avenue. This driveway is the only vehicular access to this side of the TTC's property. The TTC has requested an exemption to allow their service vehicles to make a southbound left turn from Oriole Parkway onto Frobisher Avenue during the weekday morning peak period.

It is feasible to exempt TTC vehicles from this prohibition. This change would allow TTC service vehicles to access Davisville Yard via Frobisher Avenue rather than through the residential neighbourhood.

Councillor Josh Matlow has been advised of the recommendation of this staff report.

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-2208, dated August 2016

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