August 25, 2017

Dear Chair and Members of Etobicoke York Community Council,

I have received multiple complaints from the community of Riverview Heights regarding ongoing safety issues with cars making illegal U-turns on St. Phillips Road, and speeding on their street.

This quiet residential street has many young families, with several school bus drop off and pick up stops.

Vehicles use this street as a cut-through to access southbound Scarlett Road, and drive at the arterial road speed limits of 50-60 km/h rather than the posted 40 km/h speed limit.

Local residents have been asking for the St. Phillips access point to be closed off, as they are able to access their community via either Inchcliffe Crescent or Kentroyal Drive running off Dixon Road. Staff have not been in support of this proposal due to the challenges it presents for snow removal and solid waste removal vehicles.

By barring all vehicles other than authorized City vehicles and buses from accessing Riverview Heights from St. Phillips Road, we can address the safety concerns of the residents while maintaining access for necessary City service related vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Etobicoke York Community Council direct Transportation staff to install a do not enter sign with buses excepted for traffic entering onto Riverview Heights from St. Phillips Road, for a 2 month pilot project

2. For staff to investigate and report back to Etobicoke York Community Council in Spring 2018 with the results and impacts of the pilot project

Thank you for your kind consideration,

Michael Ford
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