Parking Regulation Amendment - Royal York Road, between Macdonald Street and Vanevery Street

Date: December 5, 2016  
To: Etobicoke York Community Council  
From: Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District  
Wards: Ward 6 – Etobicoke-Lakeshore

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval to amend the existing unsigned three hour parking to a maximum of two hours on the west side of Royal York Road, between Macdonald Street and Vanevery Street. The affected business owners submitted a petition to have two-hour maximum parking introduced on the aforementioned section of Royal York Road to address the issue of long-term parking resulting in a shortage of on-street parking for customers. This proposed parking regulation amendment will help discourage long term parking on the west side of Royal York Road, between Macdonald Street and Vanevery Street.

As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates bus service on Royal York Road, City Council approval of this report is required.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District recommends that:

1. City Council authorize parking for a maximum period of two hours on the west side of Royal York Road, between Macdonald Street and Vanevery Street.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The financial cost of for the supply and installation of signage is approximately $300.00. The funding for these signs is available in the Transportation Services Division's 2017 Operating Budget.
DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Area business owners submitted a petition to the area Councillor requesting the existing unsigned three hour parking be reduced to a maximum period of two hours to discourage long duration parking on the west side of Royal York Road, between Macdonald Street and Vanevery Street. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

Royal York Road in the vicinity of Macdonald Street is a two-lane road classified in the City’s Road Classification System as a “Minor Arterial” road. The roadway has an urban cross-section (curb and gutter) with sidewalks on both sides of the street. Dedicated bicycle lanes are present for both northbound and southbound cyclists. The Toronto Transit Commission operates bus service with bus stops located just north of the traffic control signals at Mimico Avenue. The legal speed limit on Royal York Road is 50 km/h.

Currently, as no regulations are posted, parking is allowed for a maximum period of three hours on the west side of Royal York Road, between Macdonald Street and Vanevery Street within a boulevard parking layby. Stopping is prohibited at all times on the west side of Royal York Road, between a point opposite of Cavell Avenue and Vanevery Street. Stopping is also prohibited at all times on the west side of Royal York Road, between Macdonald Street and Albani Street.

Observations conducted by Transportation Services Staff indicate that vehicles are parked for long durations on the west side of Royal York Road, between Macdonald Street and Vanevery Street.

Based on staff observations and the support from the affected business owners, Transportation Services recommends that the existing three hour parking be changed to two hour maximum parking on the west side of Royal York Road, between Macdonald Street and Vanevery Street. The proposed parking regulation amendment will have no adverse impact on traffic operation in the area and will provide short term parking for the customers of the affected businesses. The area Councillor has been advised and supports the recommendations contained in this report.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Location Plan (Parking Regulation Amendment - Royal York Road)