Parking Amendments - Northline Road

Date: April 25, 2017
To: Public Works and Infrastructure Committee
From: General Manager, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 31, Beaches-East York and Ward 34, Don Valley East

SUMMARY

Transportation Services is recommending a parking prohibition on the south side of Northline Road, between Cranfield Road and a point 151 metres west. The implementation of this prohibition is intended to enhance sight lines for motorists using a driveway on the south side of the road.

This report is submitted to Public Works and Infrastructure Committee as Northline Road forms a shared boundary between the Toronto East York Community Council and the North York Community Council areas.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The General Manager of Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council authorize a parking prohibition at all times on the south side of Northline Road, between Cranfield Road and a point 151 metres west.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with the necessary signage adjustments are included within the Transportation Services 2017 Operating Budget.

The Deputy City Manager and the Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

DECISION HISTORY

This report is a new request being presented to Public Works and Infrastructure Committee.
Transportation Services was requested by a local business to investigate the feasibility of prohibiting parking on the south side of Northline Road, west of Cranfield Road, to enhance sight lines for motorists exiting their parking lot driveway.

Northline Road, between Bermondsey Road and Cranfield Road, is a local road that operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of about 9.1 metres. It has a regulatory speed limit of 50 km/h and there is no TTC service provided on Northline Road. The subject driveway is located on the south side of the road, about 65 metres west of Cranfield Road. The following parking regulations have been by-lawed on this section of Northline Road:

**North side:**
- "No Parking, Anytime".

**South side:**
- Three-hour time limit parking at all times (unsigned, statutory).

A site visit in February 2017 disclosed a discrepancy between the by-lawed and the posted signage. Specifically, the parking prohibition on the north side has not been signed between Cranfield Road and Bermondsey Drive. Arrangements were made to replace the missing signage.

It was reported that heavy trucks, including tractor-trailers, often park immediately east of the parking lot driveway. These occurrences reduce sight lines for motorists exiting or entering the parking lot. Transportation Services' staff investigated the feasibility of prohibiting parking at all times on the south side of Northline Road, west of Cranfield Road. The site visit in February 2017 did not disclose any vehicles parked on the south side of Northfield Road, however it is reported this concern does not occur on a regular basis.

Collision statistics provided by the Toronto Police Service for the five-year period ending December 31, 2016 did not disclose any collisions reported on the section of Northfield Road, between Cranfield Road and Bermondsey Avenue.

Based on Transportation Services' review, there are no objections to the implementation of a "No Parking, Anytime" regulation on the south side of Northline Road, between Cranfield Road and a point 151 metres west. The proposed regulation will encompass the area east of the subject driveway, where vehicles are currently legally parking and reducing sight lines. Additionally, this regulation will include the area to the west of the subject driveway, which consists of several closely spaced driveways and no legal parking spaces.
The proposed parking prohibition will enhance the entry and exit for motorists at the parking lot driveways on the south side of Northline Road, west of Cranfield Road. This change will result in the loss of about nine on-street parking spaces. However, this area is generally industrial and the adjoining land uses provide on-site parking.

The local councillors have been advised of the recommendation of this staff report.

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**ATTACHMENTS**
