Parking Amendments - Coady Avenue

Date: March 29, 2017
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District
Wards: Ward 30, Toronto-Danforth

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that Community Council has delegated authority to make a final decision, provided that it is not amended so that it varies with City policy or by-laws.

Transportation Services have reviewed the need for island parking and double sided parking on Coady Avenue, between Queen Street East and Mallon Avenue. Our assessment indicates that island parking and double sided parking regulations already exist on certain sections of Coady Avenue (Queen Street East to Mallon Avenue) during the summer months only. Transportation Services have reviewed the feasibility of double sided parking operating on the entire length of Coady Avenue, at all times of the year, and does not recommend this parking proposal.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Acting Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District recommends that:

1. Toronto and East York Community Council not approve double sided parking to operate at all times of the year on the entire length of Coady Avenue, between Queen Street East and Mallon Avenue.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact resulting from the adoption of the recommendations in this report.
DECISION HISTORY

Toronto and East York Community Council, at its meeting on February 22, 2017, adopted Item TE22.95, requesting Transportation Services to analyse the feasibility of double sided parking and island parking on Coady Avenue, between Queen Street East and Mallon Avenue, and to report to the May 2, 2017 Toronto and East York Community Council meeting. The Council decision can be found at: http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2017.TE22.95

COMMENTS

Existing Conditions
Coady Avenue, between Queen Street East and Mallon Avenue, is a local roadway which operates one-way, northbound, with a posted speed limit of 30 km/h. The pavement width is about 7.32 metres. The following parking regulations are currently in effect on Coady Avenue, between Queen Street East and Mallon Avenue:

West Side:
- Parking by permit only, from 12:00 midnight of one day to 12:00 midnight of the following day, all times.
- Parking is prohibited from Dec. 1 of one year to Mar 31 of the next following year, inclusive.
- Parking is prohibited, from April 1 to November 30, inclusive; between a point 65 metres north of Queen Street East and a point 111.5 metres north of Queen Street East, between a point 159.5 metres north of Queen Street East and a point 155.5 metres south of Mallon Ave, between a point 112.5 metres south of Mallon Avenue and a point 56 metres south of Mallon Avenue.

East Side:
- Parking by permit only, from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., at all times.

There is no TTC service provided on Coady Avenue.

The existing parking regulations on Coady Avenue, between Queen Street East and Mallon Avenue, provides segments of double sided parking and island parking.

The proposed changes to the parking regulations on Coady Avenue will have potential negative impacts. These are summarized as follows:

- Sightlines between motorist and pedestrians would be reduced;
- Delivery vehicles and public service vehicles, such as garbage trucks, may occasionally block traffic flow;
- The ability to use mechanical sweepers to maintain the street at an acceptable level of cleanliness would be impacted. Street cleaning operations on this segment of Coady Avenue will be limited to manual cleaning only; and
- Response times by emergency service agencies could be impacted.
The above-noted concerns could be exacerbated during winter months when snow accumulation along the curb, combined with on-street parking, further narrows the unimpeded width of the road. In a two-sided parking condition, snow plow operators will be required to plow snow towards both curbs, resulting in windrows of snow against parked vehicles. Besides a narrower travel lane, this will result in vehicles pushing snow back on to the road when exiting their parking spaces. Additionally, the windrows of snow could potentially block motorists from access to their vehicle, depending on the amount of snowfall.

Transportation Services does not recommend any amendments to existing parking regulations.

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