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Standing Prohibition - Mount Pleasant Road

Date: May 31, 2018
To: North York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Transportation Services, North York District
Wards: Ward 25 - Don Valley West

SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting City Council approve a standing prohibition to be in effect at all times on the east side of Mount Pleasant Road, between Wanless Avenue and a point 39 metres north.

The standing prohibition is recommended to enhance sight lines for westbound motorists on Wanless Avenue approaching the intersection with Mount Pleasant Road. The proposed standing prohibition will result in the loss of three parking spaces.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Acting Director, Transportation Services, North York District recommends that:

1. City Council approve a standing prohibition to be in effect at all times on the east side of Mount Pleasant Road, between Wanless Avenue and a point 39 metres north.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with the necessary signage installation are included within the Transportation Services 2018 Operating Budget

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services was requested by Councillor Robinson, on behalf of area residents, to eliminate the parking spaces on the east side of Mount Pleasant Road, between Wanless Avenue and the first driveway to the north. This request was made to enhance sightlines for westbound motorists accessing Mount Pleasant Road from Wanless Avenue.

Mount Pleasant Road, in the vicinity of Wanless Avenue, is a two-way collector street that consists of one lane in each direction. Additionally, there are curb side parking lanes on both sides of the street that are enclosed with painted edge lines. It has a pavement width of approximately 12 metres, a posted speed limit of 40 km/h and a daily two-way traffic volume of approximately 10,000 vehicles. There are sidewalks on both sides of Mount Pleasant Road and transit service is provided by the 74 Mount Pleasant bus route. There is a southbound bus stop on the north side of the intersection with Wanless Avenue.

Wanless Avenue is a two-way local street that intersects Mount Pleasant Road in a stop controlled intersection, approximately 150 metres north of Lawrence Avenue East. It has a pavement width of approximately 8.5 metres, a posted speed limit of 40 km/h and a daily two-way traffic volume of approximately 2,000 vehicles. Heavy vehicles are prohibited at all times and there is no TTC service provided on Wanless Avenue.

Generally, parking is allowed for up to three hours at all times on both sides of Mount Pleasant Road, between Wanless Avenue and the north end of the street. Additionally, a statutory 15 metre corner parking prohibition is signed on the east side of Mount Pleasant Road, north of Wanless Avenue. Parking is prohibited at all times on both sides of Mount Pleasant Road, between Wanless Avenue and Lawrence Avenue East.

Mount Pleasant Road curves to the east, south of the intersection with Wanless Avenue. Due to this curve, westbound motorists on Wanless Avenue must stop further back from the east curb line of Mount Pleasant Road. From this set back position, these motorists have reduced visibility of approaching southbound traffic on Mount Pleasant Road due to vehicles parking on the east side of the street, beginning at a point 15 metres north of Wanless Avenue.

A review of Toronto Police Service records for the five-year period ending December 31, 2017 disclosed five collisions were reported at the intersection of Mount Pleasant Road and Wanless Avenue. Further review of these five collisions determined that none involved a collision between a westbound and southbound motorist.

Notwithstanding the lack of a collision pattern, to address the sight line concerns it is recommended that standing be prohibited at all times on the east side of Mount Pleasant Road, between Wanless Avenue and a point 39 metres to the north (the first driveway). The proposed standing prohibition would enhance sight lines for westbound motorists on Wanless Avenue approaching Mount Pleasant Road. These changes will result in the loss of three parking spaces.

The Ward Councillor has been advised of the recommendation of this report.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map - Standing Prohibition - Mount Pleasant Road