

**REPORT FOR ACTION****Through Prohibition – Farm Greenway at Victoria Park Avenue**

Date: March 26, 2018

To: Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

From: General Manager, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 34 and 40

SUMMARY

This staff report recommends an eastbound through prohibition (with a bicycle exemption) from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday eastbound from Farm Greenway across Victoria Park Avenue to Terraview Boulevard. Currently, this through movement is allowed at all times.

This matter is being tabled at the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee as it impacts both the North York Community Council and the Scarborough Community Council areas.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The General Manager, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council prohibit eastbound through movements from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., and from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, from Farm Greenway to Terraview Boulevard at Victoria Park Avenue, bicycles excepted.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The financial cost of installing the prohibition signs is approximately \$1000.00. The funding for these signs has been requested in the Transportation Services Division's 2018 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

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

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting of November 14, 2017, the North York Community Council directed the Acting Manager, Transportation Services, North York District, to report back to its meeting on January 16, 2018, on the merits of installing a No Entry Sign for all vehicles travelling from the townhouse development on Farm Greenway to Terraview Drive. The following is a link to the decision:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2017.NY26.54>

However, it has been determined that this is a matter that the Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District should report to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee under the Rules of Procedure and Divisional protocol, as this is a matter that affects both the North York and Scarborough Community Council Areas.

COMMENTS

Further to a request from Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong, Transportation Services staff has reviewed the prohibition of eastbound through movements from Farm Greenway across Victoria Park Avenue to Terraview Boulevard during the AM and PM Peak periods during weekdays.

Existing Conditions

The following key characteristics describe the intersection of Farm Greenway / Terraview Boulevard and Victoria Park Avenue:

- This signalized intersection is located along Victoria Park Avenue between Highway 401 and Ellesmere Road.
- Victoria Park Avenue is classified as a major arterial road with a posted speed limit of 60 km/h.
- Farm Greenway is classified as a private road.
- Terraview Boulevard is classified as a collector road with a posted speed limit of 40 km/h.
- The area is composed of townhomes, high rise apartment buildings, and a place of worship.
- There is currently a southbound left-turn prohibition in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday to mitigate traffic infiltration from southbound Victoria Park Avenue to eastbound Terraview Boulevard.

Analysis

Transportation Services staff conducted traffic counts at this location on Tuesday, November 28, 2017, to collect evidence about southbound to eastbound motorists using Farm Greenway as a turnaround area to circumvent the southbound left-turn prohibition. Staff observed that 60 motorists made this movement in the AM Peak period, 72 motorists made the movement in the PM Peak period, but no motorists made the movement during the off peak period, when there is no southbound left-turn prohibition in effect.

As the infiltration has been confirmed, staff are recommending an eastbound through prohibition to match the southbound left turn prohibition. However, bicycles will be exempted from the through prohibition as there is no traffic or safety concern with bicycles making the eastbound through movement.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Location Plan (Through Prohibition - Farm Greenway at Victoria Park Avenue)

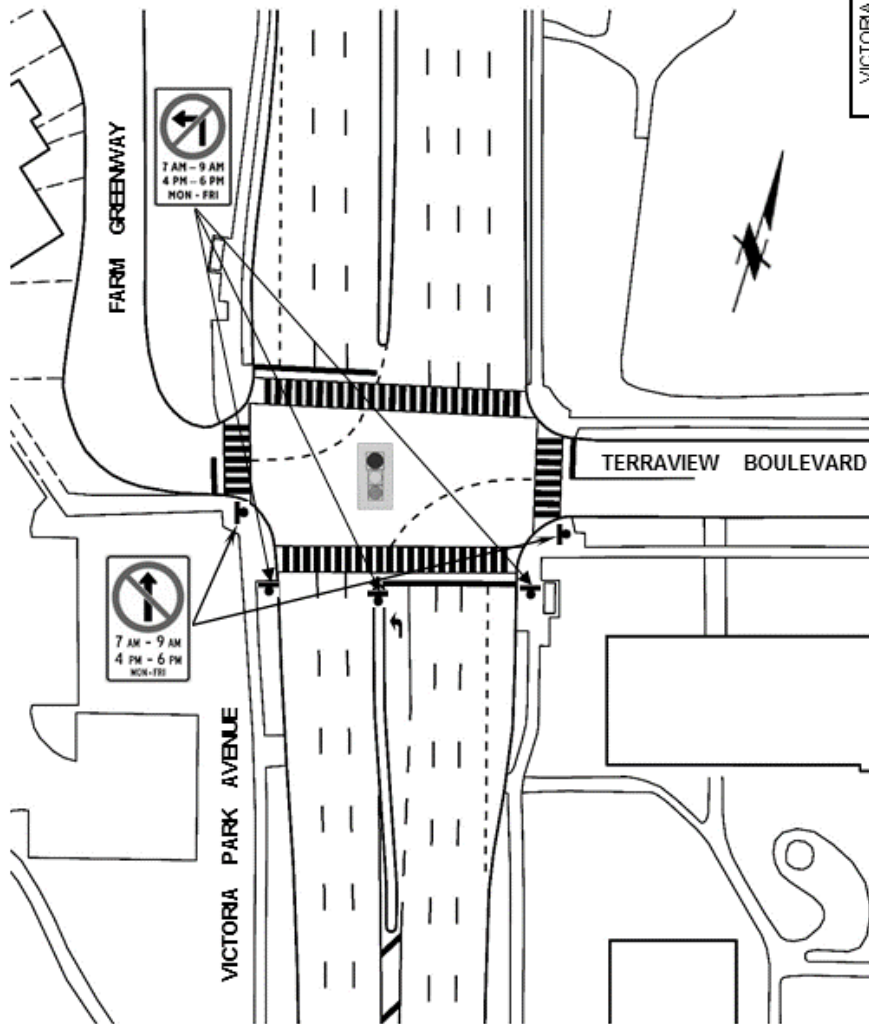
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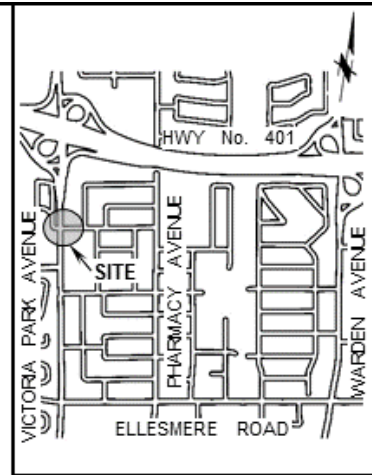
PROPOSED EASTBOUND NO THROUGH PROHIBITION
7AM-9AM, 4PM-6PM, MON.-FRI.



EXISTING SOUTHBOUND LEFT-TURN PROHIBITION
7AM-9AM, 4PM-6PM, MON.-FRI.



LOCATION MAP



KEY MAP



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