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REPORT FOR ACTION

Through Prohibition - Taunton Road

| Date: | January 19, 2017 |
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| To: | Toronto and East York Community Council |
| From: | Acting Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District |
| Wards: | Ward 22, St. Paul's |

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 is requesting approval to prohibit southbound through movements from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday (bicycles excepted) from Taunton Road, north of the southernmost limit of 245 Eglinton Avenue East onto Taunton Road, south of the southernmost limit of 245 Eglinton Avenue East.

As the pre-existing time-specific 'no entry' prohibition was not in compliance with the Ontario Traffic Manual (OTM) guidelines for the use of a 'Do Not Enter' sign, the proposed compulsory turn regulation will maintain the same traffic operational restrictions while adhering to the guidelines of the OTM.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit southbound through movements, from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday (bicycles excepted), from Taunton Road, between Eglinton Avenue East and a point 54 metres south of Eglinton Avenue East (southernmost limit of 245 Eglinton Avenue East) to Taunton Road, south of a point 54 metres south of Eglinton Avenue East (southernmost limit of 245 Eglinton Avenue East).

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with the installation of the proposed through prohibition signage's are included within the Transportation Services 2018 Operating Budget estimates.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting on March 22, 2011, Toronto and East York Community Council adopted Item TE5.48, to rescind the time-specific "No Entry" regulations outlined in Appendix "A" and approved the implementation of the time-specific turn prohibitions and compulsory turn regulations outlined in Appendix "B" attached to the report dated February 28, 2011, entitled "Technical Amendments to Time-Specific Entry Prohibitions - Various Locations (Community Council Delegation)" at various locations. The Council decision can be found at:

http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaltemHistory.do?item=2011.TE5.48

COMMENTS

On behalf of the residents of Taunton Road, Councillor Matlow has requested Transportation Services to review the feasibility of re-installing the 'Do Not Enter, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday (bicycles excepted)' signs previously installed on Taunton Road, approximately 54 metres south of Eglinton Avenue East.

Taunton Road, between Eglinton Avenue East and Soudan Avenue, is designated as a two-way north/south local roadway with a pavement width of about 8.5 metres, and a posted speed limit of 30km/h. Heavy trucks are prohibited at all times and there is no TTC service provided on Taunton Road.

The following parking regulations are in effect on Taunton Road, between Eglinton Avenue East and Soudan Avenue.

East Side

• No parking, anytime.

West Side

- Maximum one-hour parking, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.
- Overnight permit parking, from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., all times.

In March 2000, the Ontario Ministry of Transportation released the "Ontario Traffic Manual, Book 5 - Regulatory Signs". This book and other OTM books that followed replaced the former Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) that had been in place since 1986. Among other changes, OTM Book 5 stipulated that "Do Not Enter" signs should no longer be used as a means to identify time-specific restrictions that applied on a street. In situations where the entry prohibition has a time restriction associated with it, the appropriate turn prohibition or compulsory movement provision should be implemented and the appropriate authorized sign should be posted. While many locations were converted in 2011 as part of the aforementioned report, this location was not added.

As such, the above proposed through prohibition will maintain the same traffic restriction as existed with the previous 'no entry' regulation and will discourage traffic infiltration.

Councillor Josh Matlow has been advised of the recommendations in this staff report.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-2820, dated December 2017

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