



To: Toronto and East York Community Council
Re: Accessible Loading Zone – Mill Street

Background

Mill Street, between Trinity Street and Cherry Street, operates two-way east-west with one traffic lane and one parking lane provided in each direction. Currently, on the north side of Mill Street fronting 70 Mill Street, parking is permitted for a maximum of 15 minutes at all times. This parking regulation was adopted by City Council on March 9, 2017 as part of Item TE22.55, which included road alterations and amendments to parking regulations on Mill Street. The Council decision can be found at: <http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2017.TE22.55>

Residents of 70 Mill Street have raised concerns regarding availability within the 15 minute permitted parking area, for short term parking and the loading and unloading of passengers, as it was intended to be used for. Vehicles are abusing the 15 minute maximum permitted period and parking for extended periods of time. This has resulted in difficulty for persons with accessible needs, whom require to load/unload as close to the front entrance of 70 Mill Street as possible, to find adequate space. To alleviate this issue, it is recommended to rescind the current 15 minute maximum permitted parking area fronting 70 Mill Street and designate this space as an accessible loading zone.

Designating the north side of Mill Street, fronting 70 Mill Street, as an accessible loading zone will prevent vehicles from occupying this area for an extended period of time and provide adequate space for persons with accessible needs to load and unload.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. City Council rescind the existing maximum 15 minute parking limit in effect at all times, on the north side of Mill Street, between a point 129.5 metres west of Cherry Street and a point 11 metres further west.
2. City Council designate an accessible loading zone to operate at all times on the north side of Mill Street, between a point 129.5 metres west of Cherry Street and a point 11 metres further west.
3. City Council prohibit standing at all times on the north side of Mill Street, between a point 129.5 metres west of Cherry Street and a point 11 metres further west.

Councillor Lucy Troisi