

Parking Regulation Amendment - Queen's Plate Drive

Date: January 17, 2019
To: Etobicoke York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 1 – Etobicoke North

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that Etobicoke York Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval to prohibit parking at all times on the east side of Queen's Plate Drive, between Vice Regent Boulevard and Bethridge Road.

This parking regulation amendment was at the request of the local Councillor, on behalf of the constituents of Queen's Plate Drive.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. Etobicoke York Community Council prohibit parking at all times on the east side of Queen's Plate Drive, between Vice Regent Boulevard and Bethridge Road.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The estimated cost for the supply and installation of signage is approximately \$1,000.00. The funding for these signs is available in the Transportation Services Division's 2019 interim Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services staff received a request from the local Councillor, on behalf of the constituents of Queen's Plate Drive, to investigate the feasibility of prohibiting parking at all times on the east side of Queen's Plate Drive, between Vice Regent Boulevard and Bethridge Road. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

Queen's Plate Drive is a 15.2 metre wide roadway, with two lanes in each direction and sidewalks on both sides of the street. This road is classified as a "Collector" in the City's Road Classification System. The statutory speed limit on the street is 50 km/h. Currently, a City-wide three hour maximum parking limit is in effect on Queen's Plate Drive, between Vice Regent Boulevard and Bethridge Road. 'All Way Stop Controls' are located at the intersection of Queen's Plate Drive and Vice Regent Boulevard. Islington Evangel Centre is located at 49 Queen's Plate Drive.

Staff observed, during their field investigation, that heavy vehicles are parked on both sides of Queen's Plate Drive, between Vice Regent Boulevard and Bethridge Road. When these vehicles park on the street for an extended period of time, they create traffic congestion and pose a safety hazard to all road users. These vehicles also obstruct the view of vehicles exiting from driveways.

A review of the collision history on Queen's Plate Drive, between Vice Regent Boulevard and Bethridge Road for a five year period ending December 31, 2017, for which we have complete data, reveals that there has been one reported collision on Queen's Plate Drive north of Bethridge Road, involving a northbound vehicle which collided with a parked tractor trailer.

To improve safety and traffic flow in this area, staff recommends that the parking regulation, on the east side of Queen's Plate Drive, between Vice Regent Boulevard and Bethridge Road, be changed from the three hour maximum limit to "No Parking Anytime".

The local Councillor has been advised and supports the recommendation of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1: Area Map - Queen's Plate Drive

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