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REPORT FOR ACTION

Left-Turn Prohibition – Keele Street at North Park Drive and at Quinan Drive

Date: October 3, 2019

To: Etobicoke York Community Council

From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 5 – York South-Weston

SUMMARY

As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a bus service on Keele Street, City Council approval of this report is required.

The purpose of this report is to amend the hours of the existing southbound left-turn prohibitions on Keele Street at North Park Drive and at Quinan Drive in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays, to be in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Monday to Friday, except public holidays. The proposed amendment is the result of a community consultation along with the local Ward Councillor.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

- 1. City Council amend the existing southbound left-turn prohibition in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays at the intersection of Keele Street and North Park Drive, to be in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays.
- 2. City Council amend the existing southbound left-turn prohibition in effect from 7:00 a.m., to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays at the intersection of Keele Street and Quinan Drive/Wyndale Drive, to be in effect from 7:00 a.m., to 10:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The estimated cost of amending the existing signs is approximately \$ 500.00. The funding for these signs is available in the Transportation Services 2019 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services staff attended a public meeting in May 2019, hosted by the Ward Councillor, to review traffic concerns raised by residents within the Keele and Lawrence community located north of Lawrence Ave West, east of Keele Street. One issue was to investigate the feasibility of amending the existing times associated with the southbound left-turn prohibitions at the intersections of Keele Street and North Park Drive as well as Keele Street and Quinan Drive. A map of the area is shown on Attachment 1.

Keele Street is a 17-metre wide four-lane road with centre left-turn lanes to access both North Park Drive and Quinan Drive and operates two-way with a north-south alignment. Keele Street is classified in the City's Road Classification System as a major arterial roadway. Continuous sidewalks are located on both sides of the street. The regulatory speed limit on Keele Street is 50 km/h.

North Park Drive is an 8.5-metre wide two-lane road classified in the City's Road Classification System as a local road and operates two-way with an east-west alignment. Sidewalks are absent on both sides of the street. The posted speed limit is 40 km/h.

Quinan Drive is an 8.5-metre wide two-lane road classified in the City's Road Classification System as a local road and operates two-way with an east-west alignment. Sidewalks are absent on the north side of the street. The posted speed limit is 40 km/h.

It should be noted that there are existing advisory southbound left turn prohibitions from Keele Street to both North Park Drive and Quinan Drive from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. The turn prohibitions were recommended to address the concerns of area residents regarding traffic infiltration during weekday rush hours.

Given that the regulatory left-turn prohibitions are already in effect during the morning rush hour, between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., with the support of the community and the Ward Councillor, staff recommends extending the southbound left-turn prohibitions to be in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Monday to Friday, except public holidays.

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ATTACHMENT

1. Area Map – Keele Street at North Park Dr and Keele Street at Quinan Drive

Attachment 1: Area Map – Keele Street and North Park Dr and Keele Street and Quinan Drive

