

Parking Prohibition - Kodiak Crescent

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To: North York Community Council

From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 6, York Centre

SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting City Council to prohibit parking at all times in the outer perimeter of the two horizontal curves on Kodiak Crescent. The proposed changes will reduce the potential for conflicts between TTC buses and other large vehicles with oncoming traffic due to parked vehicles.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. City Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on the east side of Kodiak Crescent, between a point 230 metres east of Whitehorse Road and a point 30 metres south thereof.
2. City Council prohibit parking at all times on the outer perimeter of Kodiak Crescent, on the north and east sides, from a point 171 metres east of Whitehorse Road to a point 89 metres further east and south.
3. City Council prohibit parking at all times on the outer perimeter of Kodiak Crescent, on the south and east sides, from a point 87 metres east of Sheppard Avenue West (south intersection) to a point 65 metres further east and north.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with the necessary signage installations are included within the Transportation Services 2019 Interim Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services was requested by the TTC to investigate a parking prohibition on the outer perimeter of Kodiak Crescent within the two horizontal curves on this street. The presence of parked vehicles in these two curves reduces the width of the street and impedes the ability of TTC buses and other large vehicles to turn without encroaching into the opposing lanes of traffic.

Kodiak Crescent is a collector street that operates with two-way traffic. It is approximately 700 metres in length and intersects Sheppard Avenue West in two separate locations, west of William R. Allen Road. It has a regulatory speed limit of 50 km/h and a pavement width of approximately 9.5 metres. Sidewalks are provided on both sides of the street. TTC service on Kodiak Crescent is provided by the 117 Alness-Chesswood bus.

Parking is currently prohibited at all times on the inner perimeter of Kodiak Crescent. On the outer perimeter of Kodiak Crescent, parking is generally permitted for a maximum period of three-hours (unsigned, statutory), except for the following two sections, where parking is prohibited at all times:

- Between Sheppard Avenue West (north intersection) and a point 65 metres east of Whitehorse Road; and
- Between a point 230 metres east of Whitehorse Road and a point 30 metres south thereof.

The land use on Kodiak Crescent is comprised of a number of different commercial and business uses. These properties generally have available parking on-site.

The TTC have advised Transportation Services of operational and safety concerns for their buses travelling through the two horizontal curves on this street due to parked vehicles. The TTC indicate that their buses must encroach into the opposing traffic lane to complete their turn and have expressed concerns with the potential for future collisions with oncoming traffic or a parked vehicle.

A review of Toronto Police Service records for the five-year period ending September 30, 2018 over the entire length of Kodiak Crescent disclosed a total of ten reported collisions. Further review of these ten collisions did not disclose any that occurred in either curve. There were two collisions involving a parked vehicle, but neither of these in occurred in either curve. Field observations have confirmed that conflicts could

potentially occur when large vehicles are travelling through the curves, although none were observed.

In order to improve the operations and safety for all motorists travelling around the subject curves, Transportation Services recommends prohibiting parking at all times on the following sections of Kodiak Crescent:

- on the north and east sides of the outer perimeter, from a point 171 metres east of Whitehorse Road and a point 89 metres further east and south; and
- on the south and east sides of the outer perimeter, from a point 87 metres east of Sheppard Avenue West (south intersection) and a point 65 metres further east and north.

The former location will join and extend the existing parking prohibition being rescinded in Recommendation 1. The proposed changes will prevent motorists from parking within the two curves and will result in the loss of approximately 9-10 parking spaces on Kodiak Crescent.

The Ward Councillor is aware of the recommendations of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map - Parking Prohibition - Kodiak Crescent