

## **Accessible Parking Space - Whitmore Avenue**

**Date:** July 24, 2019

**To:** North York Community Council

**From:** Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

**Wards:** Ward 8 - Eglinton-Lawrence

### **SUMMARY**

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This staff report is about a matter for which 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 North York Community Council to authorize the installation of an accessible parking space on the north and south sides of Whitmore Avenue, west of Marlee Avenue. The accessible parking space will alternate from one side of the street to the other with the existing alternate side parking.

The installation of the accessible parking space will address the needs of a local resident, while reducing the available on-street parking by one space.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that North York Community Council:

1. Designate an accessible parking space to operate from the 16th day of each month to the last day of each month, April 1st to November 30th on the north side of Whitmore Avenue, between a point 158 metres west of Marlee Avenue and a point 5.5 metres further west.
2. Designate an accessible parking space to operate from the 1st day of each month to the 15th day of each month, April 1st to November 30th and from December 1st to March 31st on the south side of Whitmore Avenue, between a point 161 metres west of Marlee Avenue and a point 5.5 metres further west.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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All costs associated with the installation of the accessible parking space on Whitmore Avenue are included within the Transportation Services 2019 Operating Budget.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

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This report addresses a new initiative.

## **COMMENTS**

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Transportation Services was requested by a resident of Whitmore Avenue to investigate the feasibility of installing an accessible parking space on Whitmore Avenue, west of Marlee Avenue.

Whitmore Avenue, west of Marlee Avenue, is a local street that operates with one-way traffic in the eastbound direction and a pavement width of about 7.3 metres. It has a posted speed limit of 40 km/h. Heavy vehicles are prohibited at all times and there is no TTC service provided on Whitmore Avenue. Currently, parking alternates mid-month from one side of the street to the other, except during the winter months when it is maintained on the north side. When parking is allowed, there is a one-hour limit from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. daily and the City-wide three-hour maximum parking limit at all other times.

The applicant is a holder of a valid "Accessible Parking Permit" issued by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario. A review has determined that it is feasible to provide on-street accessible parking spaces on the north side of Whitmore Avenue, between a point 158 metres west of Marlee Avenue and a point 5.5 metres further west while on the south side of Whitmore Avenue, it will be located between a point 161 metres west of Marlee Avenues and a point 5.5 metres further west. The accessible parking space will alternate from one side of the street to the other with the existing alternate side parking.

The proposed parking space is not for the exclusive use of the applicant and may be used by any vehicle displaying a valid "Accessible Parking Permit". The installation of the accessible parking space will result in the loss of one parking space and will not have a negative impact of the flow of traffic on Whitmore Avenue.

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

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Attachment 1: Map - Whitmore Avenue - Accessible Parking Space

