



REPORT FOR ACTION

Traffic and Parking Amendments: Kingston Road, Brimley Road and Barkdene Hills

Date: May 1, 2019
To: Scarborough Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 20 – Scarborough Southwest

SUMMARY

As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a transit service on Brimley Road, Kingston Road and Barkdene Hills, City Council approval of this report is required.

As a result of requests from Councillor Crawford's office, area residents and Parks, Forestry & Recreation Division, Transportation Services staff reviewed the traffic and parking operations in the Bluffers Park neighbourhood. In order to mitigate traffic and parking congestion during the Park's seasonal weekends and public holidays, staff recommend that City Council prohibit southbound through and westbound left turn movements at the intersection of Kingston Road and Brimley Road from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Saturday, Sunday and public holidays from May 1 to September 30, buses excepted and also to prohibit standing on the south side of Barkdene Hills from Brimley Road to Brooklawn Avenue and on both sides of Brimley Road between St Clair Avenue and Kingston Road. The recommended changes will create better sight lines for pedestrian and vehicles in the vicinity of Bluffers Park and help to mitigate traffic congestion during the peak summer weekends and public holidays when Bluffers Park usage is at its peak.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. City Council prohibit southbound through movements from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, and public holidays, buses excepted, from May 1 to September 30 of each year from Brimley Road north of Kingston Road to Brimley Road South.

2. City Council prohibit westbound left turns from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, and public holidays, buses excepted, from May 1 to September 30 of each year, on Kingston Road at Brimley Road.
3. City Council prohibit standing from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, and public holidays from May 1 to September 30 of each year, on the south side of Barkdene Hills, from Brimley Road to Brooklawn Avenue.
4. City Council prohibit standing from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays from May 1 to September 30 of each year, on both sides of Brimley Road, from St. Clair Avenue East to Kingston Road.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The cost of installing related signage approximately \$6,000.00. The funds for these signs are available in the Transportation Services Division's 2019 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

As a result of requests from Councillor Crawford's office, area residents and the Parks, Forestry & Recreation Division, Transportation Services staff reviewed traffic and parking operations in the Bluffers Park neighbourhood. As part of the review, The Bluffers Park Traffic Management Plan was created to better manage and control the flow of traffic accessing Bluffers Park while sustaining normal traffic and parking operations for area residents in the Bluffers Park neighbourhood

Due to the overwhelming number of vehicles accessing Bluffers Park during seasonal weekends and public holidays, Parks, Forestry & Recreation Division staff are currently managing the traffic demand by having Toronto Police Services, Paid Duty Officers (PDO) at various key locations including the main access point at Brimley Road and Kingston Road.

Along with PDOs controlling the intersection of Brimley Road and Kingston Road, Parks staff currently utilize temporary unregulated signage to advise motorists that southbound through and westbound left turn movement are prohibited from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays during the summer months.

Visitors to the park are continuously parking on both sides of Brimley Road and neighbourhood streets, blocking the main access point and residential driveways, preventing safe, two-way traffic movements as well as access/egress maneuvers by local residents and Emergency Services.

In order to mitigate traffic and parking congestion during seasonal peak weekends and public holidays, staff recommends southbound through and westbound left turn prohibitions at the main access point to Bluffers Park at Brimley Road and Kingston Road. Also recommended are standing prohibitions from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and public holidays from May 1 to September 30 of each year on both sides of Brimley Road, between St Clair Avenue East and Kingston Road and on the south side Barkdene Hills, from Brimley Road to Brooklawn Avenue.

The following characteristics describe this area of Bluffers Park:

- Kingston Road is an east-west major arterial road. Brimley Road South, Barkdene Hills and Brooklawn Avenue are classified as collector road with Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) revenue bus service.
- Barkdene Hills is approximately 8.5 metres wide with a sidewalk on the north side.
- The land use in the surrounding area consists mainly of single family residential homes.
- Brimley Road South is the sole access to Bluffers Park and the large Bluffers Marina facilities located on the waterfront immediately to the south.

The proposed southbound through and westbound left turn prohibitions at the main access point at Brimley Road and Kingston Road and the standing prohibitions will allow clear and unrestricted access to driveways, enhance sight lines, and maintain the flow of traffic on those roads during summer weekends and public holidays.

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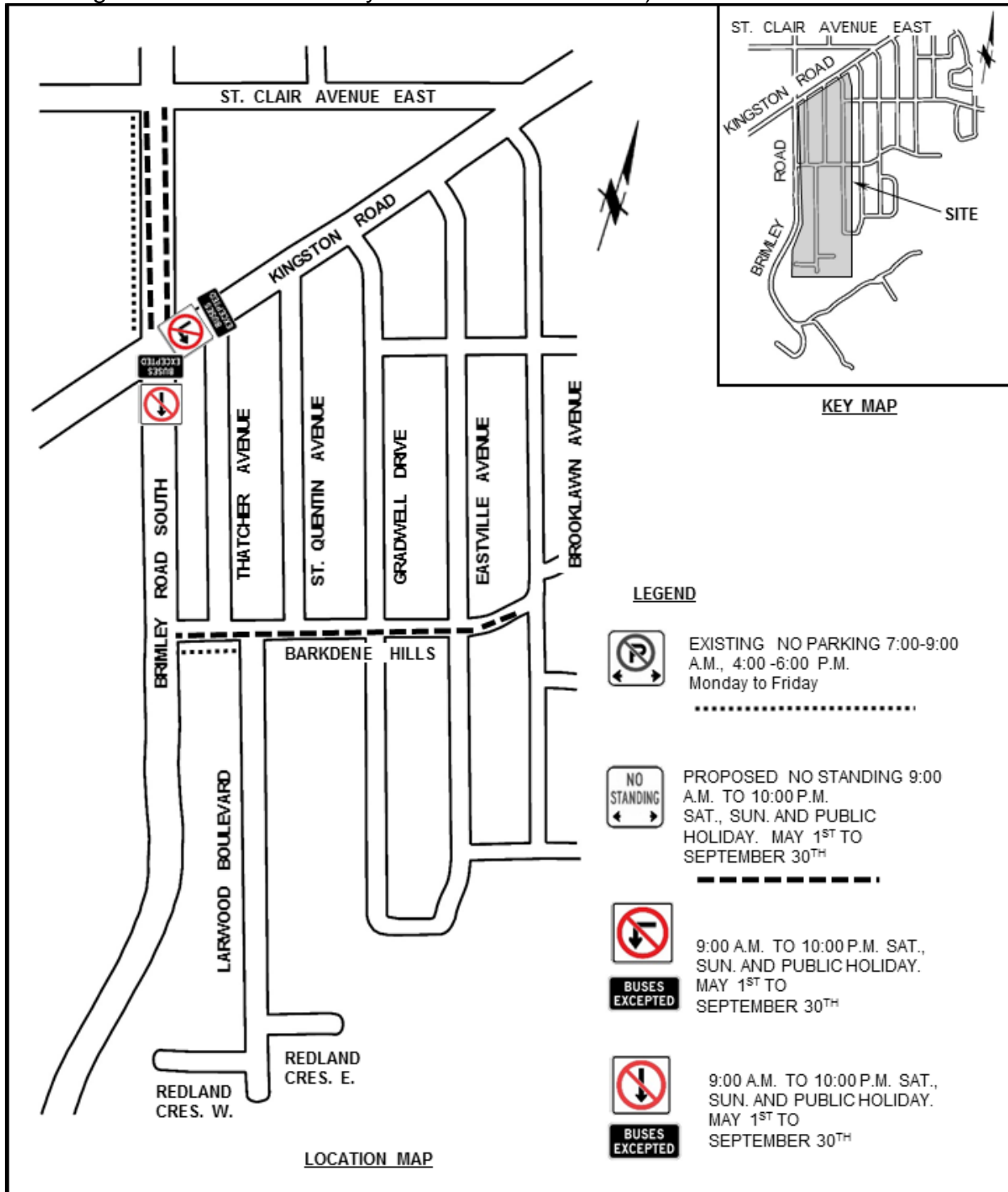
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ATTACHMENTS

1. Location Plan (Turn & Through Prohibitions - Kingston Road and Brimley Road & Standing Prohibitions on Brimley Road & Barkdene Hills)

Attachment 1 - Location Plan (Turn Prohibitions - Kingston Road and Brimley Road & Standing Prohibitions on Brimley Road & Barkdene Hills)



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