

Accessible Loading Zone - Gladstone Avenue

Date: December 4, 2018
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 9, Davenport

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that 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 approval to establish an accessible loading zone on the east side of Gladstone Avenue, between Hallam Street and Shanly Street. The loading zone will provide curb-side access for Wheel-Trans vehicles for picking up or dropping off patrons. The loading zone is required from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. daily and will result in the loss of two on-street parking spaces during this period and no impact to overnight permit parking.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Toronto and East York Community Council designate an accessible loading zone operating from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. daily on the east side of Gladstone Avenue, from a point 39 metres south of Hallam Street to a point 11 metres further south.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

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

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services has investigated establishing an accessible loading zone on the east side of Gladstone Avenue, between Hallam Street and Shanly Street.

Gladstone Avenue is a local roadway operating one-way northbound with a posted speed limit of 30 km/h. On the east side of Gladstone Avenue, permit parking is in effect from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. daily. Parking is allowed for a maximum period of 3 hours at other times. Parking is prohibited at all times on the west side of the street. There is no TTC service provided on Gladstone Avenue.

Wheel-Trans buses frequently have difficulty accessing curb space on this section of Gladstone Avenue as a result of parked cars. When curb-side access is blocked by a parked vehicle, the bus must “double park”, impeding the flow of traffic.

Wheel-Trans Service is required between 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., daily. To facilitate curb-side access, installation of an accessible loading zone on this section of Gladstone Avenue is recommended. The designated area may also be used during the 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. operational period by any vehicle displaying a valid Accessible Parking Permit while actively engaged in pick-up or drop-off activities. Parking will be maintained outside of that time, including overnight parking by residents with valid parking permits. Although two parking spaces will be lost during daytime hours, this will not result in the loss of any overnight permit parking spaces.

Councillor Ana Bailão has been advised of the recommendation of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-3212, dated November 2018

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