

Parking Amendments – Crawford Street

Date: December 11, 2018
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 11, University - Rosedale

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 rescind the alternate-side parking regulations on Crawford Street, between Dewson Street and Harbord Street. Parking will be provided on the west side of the street year round and will provide additional on-street parking spaces. The proposed changes will not impact traffic operations, but will have a negative impact on mechanical street cleaning.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect from the 16th day to the last day of each month from April 1 to November 30, inclusive, on the east side of Crawford Street, from Dewson Street to Harbord Street.
2. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect from December 1 of one year to March 31 of the following year, inclusive and from the first day to the 15th day of each month from April 1 to November 30, inclusive, on the west side of Crawford Street, from Dewson Street to Harbord Street.

4. Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit parking at all times on the east side of Crawford Street, between Dewson Street and Harbord Street.
5. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing permit parking regulation in effect from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., from December 1 to March 31 and from the first day to the 15th day of each month from April 1 to November 30, inclusive, on the odd (east) side of Crawford Street, from Dewson Street to Harbord Street.
6. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing permit parking regulation in effect from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., from the 16th day to the last day of each month from April 1 to November 30, inclusive, on the even (west) side of Crawford Street, from Dewson Street to Harbord Street.
7. Toronto and East York Community Council authorize permit parking from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., on the even (west) side of Crawford Street, between Dewson Street and Harbord Street.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All cost 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

Traffic Management, Transportation Services, was requested by Councillor Mike Layton, on behalf of local residents, to rescind the alternate side parking regulations on Crawford Street, between Dewson Street and Harbord Street, and provide parking year-round on the west side of the street.

Crawford Street, between Dewson Street and Harbord Street, is a local road that operates with one-way traffic in the northbound direction. It has a pavement width of about 6.4 metres, a posted speed limit of 30 km/h and heavy vehicles are prohibited at all times. There is no TTC service provided on Crawford Street.

Alternate-side parking regulations are in effect on Crawford Street, between Dewson Street and Harbord Street. These regulations have been summarized as follows:

East side

- No parking, anytime, from the 16th to the end of each month, from April 1 to November 30;
- No parking, except by permit, from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily; and
- Three-hour maximum parking limit at other times (unsigned, statutory).

West side

- No parking, anytime, from December 1 to March 31 and from the 1st to the 15th of each month, April 1 to November 30;
- No parking, except by permit, from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily; and
- Three-hour maximum parking limit at other times (unsigned, statutory).

Crawford Street, between Dewson Street and Harbord Street, belongs to permit parking area 4C. Area 4C has 361 legal parking spaces and 263 residential permits have been issued. More specifically, Crawford Street, between Dewson Street and Harbord Street, has 53 and 37 spaces on the west and east sides of the street, respectively. On this section of Crawford Street, 33 permits have been issued.

Residents have reported that the narrow width (6.4 metres) of the roadway has resulted in operational concerns on "change-over" days, when vehicles may be parked on both sides of the street at the same time. Maintaining parking year-round on the west side of the Crawford Street may reduce these operational concerns. Additionally, residents have reported concerns with the lack of available parking spaces on the east side of the roadway. As there are more driveways on the east side, there are fewer parking spaces when the parking is permitted on that side. Accordingly, rescinding the alternate side parking regulations, providing parking permanently on the west side will result in about 16 more available parking spaces year round.

Based on the foregoing, it has been requested that the alternate side parking regulations on Crawford Street, between Dewson Street and Harbord Street, be rescinded to allow parking on the west side at all times. Parking on the east side will be prohibited at all times.

It should be noted that this proposal will have negative impacts on the street cleaning on Crawford Street. The proposed parking changes will require that cleaning be done manually instead of mechanically, which is less efficient and may not provide the level of cleaning the residents may be accustomed to. However, there will be no impact on traffic operations.

Councillor Mike Layton has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-3220, dated November 2018

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