

Right-Turn and Left-Turn Prohibition Amendment – Oakwood Avenue at Glenhurst Avenue

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

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to amend the existing southbound "No Right Turn, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday" regulation for southbound traffic and the existing southbound "No Left Turn, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday" for southbound traffic on Oakwood Avenue at Glenhurst Avenue, to exclude bicycles.

As Oakwood Avenue is a transit route, this matter requires the approval of City Council. The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) have been advised of the issue and have not objected to the recommendations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. City Council amend the existing right turn prohibition in effect from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, for southbound traffic on Oakwood Avenue at Glenhurst Avenue, to exclude bicycles.
2. City Council amend the existing left turn prohibition in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, for southbound traffic on Oakwood Avenue at Glenhurst Avenue, to exclude bicycles.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs associated with the installation of the "bicycles excepted" signage estimated in the amount of \$300.00 are included within the Transportation Services 2019 interim Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

The Transportation Services Division received a request from the former Ward Councillor, on behalf of an area resident, to exclude bicycles from the existing turn prohibitions, for southbound traffic, during rush hours on Oakwood Avenue at Glenhurst Avenue. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

Oakwood Avenue in the vicinity of Glenhurst Avenue is a two-lane road classified in the City's Road Classification System as a "Minor Arterial" road. The roadway has an urban shoulder on both the east and west sides to accommodate parking activity as well as an urban cross-section (curb and gutter) with sidewalks on both sides of the street. The Toronto Transit Commission operates daily bus service on Oakwood Avenue. The legal speed limit on Oakwood Avenue is 40 km/h.

The existing southbound "No Right Turn, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday" regulation for southbound traffic wanting to travel westbound and the existing southbound "No Left Turn, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday" for southbound traffic wanting to travel eastbound on Oakwood Avenue at Glenhurst Avenue was implemented to address the concerns of area residents regarding traffic infiltration onto Glenhurst Avenue during weekday rush hours to avoid backups and delays on Oakwood Avenue and St. Clair Avenue West.

Given that the existing regulation applies to all traffic, staff recommends that bicycles be excepted from the existing southbound right-turn prohibition and southbound left-turn prohibition on Oakwood Avenue at Glenhurst Avenue.

Councillor Ana Bailao has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENT

1. Area Map - Oakwood Avenue at Glenhurst Avenue

Attachment 1: Area Map - Oakwood Avenue at Glenhurst Avenue

