

Parking Amendments - Cooper Street and Freeland Street

Date: December 3, 2018
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 10, Spadina - Fort York

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.

As part of on-going construction on Cooper Street, between Queens Quay East and Lake Shore Boulevard East, Transportation Services is requesting approval to prohibit stopping on the east side of Cooper Street, between Queens Quay East and Lake Shore Boulevard East, and implement additional permit parking spaces on the west side of Freeland Street, between Queens Quay East and Lake Shore Boulevard East for displaced permit holders.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing permit parking regulation in effect from 12:00 midnight to 11:59 p.m. daily on the odd (east) side of Cooper Street, between Lake Shore Boulevard East and Queens Quay East.
2. Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit stopping at all times on the east side of Cooper Street, between Lake Shore Boulevard East and Queens Quay East.
3. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on the west side of Freeland Street, between a point 38 metres north of Queens Quay East and a point 38 metres further north.

4. Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit parking except by permit from 12:00 midnight of one day to 12:00 midnight of the following day, daily, on the even (west) side of Freeland Street, between a point 38 metres north of Queens Quay East and a point 38 metres further north.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

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

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting on May 2, 2018, Toronto and East York Community Council adopted Item TE32.61, amending parking regulations on Cooper Street and Freeland Street to deter on-street parking by non-permit holders and to generate additional on-street parking for permit holders in area 5G (Toronto Island).

The Council decision can be found at:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2018.TE32.61>

COMMENTS

As part of on-going construction on Cooper Street, between Queens Quay East and Lake Shore Boulevard East, the proposed parking amendments on this roadway will facilitate safe and efficient inbound and outbound manoeuvres of heavy vehicles at the site accesses, and provide for unimpeded use of the curb lane during construction activities. However, permit parking will be eliminated on the east side of Cooper Street as a result of this parking amendment displacing permit holders in area 5G (Toronto Island). This report will amend the current parking regulations on both Cooper Street and Freeland Street in order to:

- Provide unimpeded curb lane use for construction vehicles; and
- Generate additional on-street parking for permit holders in area 5G (Toronto Island).

Existing Conditions

Cooper Street, between Queens Quay East and Lake Shore Boulevard East, is a local two-way roadway with a posted speed limit of 30 km/h. The road is about 14 metres and sidewalks are provided on both sides.

The following parking regulations are currently in effect on Cooper Street:

East side

- Permit parking from 12:00 midnight of one day to 12:00 midnight of the following day, daily.

West side

- Permit parking from 12:00 midnight of one day to 12:00 midnight of the following day, daily; and
- Standing is prohibited, at all times, between a point 51.3 metres north of Queens Quay East and a point 29.6 metres further north.

There is no TTC service provided on Cooper Street.

Freeland Street, between Queens Quay East and Lake Shore Boulevard East, is a two-way collector roadway with a statutory speed limit of 50 km/h. The road width is about 14 metres and sidewalks are provided on both sides. The following parking regulations are currently in effect on Freeland Street:

East side

- Permit parking from 12:00 midnight of one day to 12:00 midnight of the following day, daily; and
- Standing is prohibited, at all times, between Queens Quay East and a point 30 metres north.

West side

- Parking is prohibited, at all times, between Queens Quay East and a point 161.5 metres north
- Stopping is prohibited, at all times, between a point 161.5 metres north of Queens Quay East and a Lake Shore Boulevard East.

There is no TTC service provided on Freeland Street.

As part of construction for the developments on northeast corner of Queens Quay East and Cooper Street, as well as the realignment of Cooper Street immediately north of Queens Quay East, parking is to be removed along the east side of Cooper Street. Implementing a stopping prohibition along the east side of Cooper Street, between Lakeshore Boulevard East and Queens Quay East, will provide unimpeded access to the curb lane for construction related activities. The developer will be responsible for obtaining short-term street occupation permits from the City, for occupancy of the right-of-way.

As a result, approximately 15 on-street parking spaces will be eliminated on the east side of Cooper Street, displacing permit parking holders in area 5G (Toronto Island). On both Cooper Street and Freeland Street, approximately 45 on-street parking spaces will remain available for 51 permit holders. However, the proposed parking amendment on the west side of Freeland Street will generate approximately 7 on-street permit parking spaces to compensate for this parking loss.

Councillor Joe Cressy has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-3240, dated December 2018
2. Drawing No. 421G-3253, dated December 2018

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