

Removal of Accessible Loading Zone – Springhurst Avenue

Date: January 10, 2019
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 4, Parkdale - High Park

SUMMARY

As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a transit service on this segment of Springhurst Avenue, City Council approval of this report is required.

Transportation Services is requesting approval to remove a designated on-street accessible loading zone, located on the north side of Springhurst Avenue, between Cowan Avenue and Dunn Avenue. The accessible permit holder who originally requested the accessible loading space has moved and no longer requires the designated space.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. City Council rescind the existing on-street accessible loading zone that operates from 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Springhurst Avenue, between a point 40.8 metres west of Cowan Avenue and a point 8 metres further west.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

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

DECISION HISTORY

City Council at its meeting on March 31, 2015 enacted By-law No. 363-2015 (Item TE4.46) designating an accessible loading zone, operating from 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Springhurst Avenue, from a point 40.8 metres west of Cowan Avenue to a point 8 metres further west.

COMMENTS

Springhurst Avenue, between Dufferin Street and Jameson Avenue Avenue, is a collector road that operates with two-way traffic. It has a pavement width of 7.3 metres and a speed limit of 30 km/h as traffic calming measures have been installed. Heavy trucks are prohibited at all times on Springhurst Avenue. There is TTC service provided by the "402 Parkdale community bus" on this segment of the roadway. The following parking regulations are generally in effect:

North Side

- One-hour maximum parking, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., daily;
- No parking, except by permit, from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily; and
- Three-hour maximum parking, all other times (unsigned, statutory).

South Side

- No parking, anytime.

Local residents requested the removal of the existing designated loading zone located on the north side of Springhurst Avenue, between a point 40.8 metres west of Cowan Avenue and a point 8 metres further west as it was no longer needed. Transportation Services contacted the representative of the original applicant who requested the accessible loading zone at this location and were advised that the original applicant has moved and no longer required this space for pick-up and drop-off purposes. Therefore, the existing designated loading space can be removed. The removal of the loading zone will result in at least one additional parking space on this section of Springhurst Avenue.

Councillor Gord Perks has been advised of the recommendation of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-3282, dated January 2019

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