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### REPORT FOR ACTION

## Parking Amendments - Springhurst Avenue, Between Dufferin Street and Fort Rouille Street

Date: February 27, 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 Springhurst Avenue, between Dufferin Street and Fort Rouille Street, City Council approval of this report is required.

Transportation Services is requesting approval to amend the existing parking prohibition to a standing prohibition on the south side of Springhurst Avenue, between Dufferin Street and Fort Rouille Street. The proposed amendment will deter parking at this location and will improve transit operations and vehicle movements by maintaining a clear passage for TTC vehicles.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

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

- 1. City Council prohibit standing at all times on the south side of Springhurst Avenue, between Dufferin Street and Fort Rouille Street.
- 2. City Council rescind the existing parking prohibition at all times on the north side of Springhurst Avenue, between Dufferin Street and Jameson Avenue.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

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

#### **DECISION HISTORY**

This report addresses a new initiative.

#### **COMMENTS**

Through Councillor Gord Perks, residents of South Parkdale requested a standing prohibition be implemented at all times on the south side of Spinghurst Avenue, between Dufferin Street and Fort Rouille Street, in order to ensure that there are no parked vehicles that could impede TTC vehicles that use this route to access the Dufferin Gate Loop.

Springhurst Avenue, between Dufferin Street and Jameson Avenue, is a collector, two-way roadway with a daily traffic volume of approximately 4,700 vehicles and a speed limit of 30 km/h. It has a pavement width of 9.1 meters, between Dufferin Street and Fort Rouille Street. The "29 Dufferin" buses and "504 King" streetcars use Springhurst Avenue, between Dufferin Street and Fort Rouille Street, to access the Dufferin Gate Loop.

The following parking regulations are generally in effect on this section of Springhurst Avenue:

#### North side

- No standing, anytime, between Dufferin Street and a point 38 metres west;
- Maximum one-hour parking, from 9:00 a.m.to 4:00 p.m., daily; and
- Permit parking, from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily.

#### South side

No parking, anytime.

The existing parking prohibition on the south side of Springhurst Avenue, between Dufferin Street and Fort Rouille Street, does legally allow vehicles with accessible parking permits to park. These parked vehicles do occasionally block eastbound vehicles and force them to pass through the westbound streetcar tracks. This maneuver disrupts all westbound traffic, especially TTC vehicles. A standing prohibition would eliminate these types of situations without the loss of any parking spaces.

Also, existing by-laws do not match the parking regulations on Springhurst Avenue. Approval of recommendation 2 will rectify this situation.

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

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#### **SIGNATURE**

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#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Drawing No. 421G-3322 dated February 2019

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