

Parking Amendments - Broadview Avenue

Date: February 22, 2019
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 14, Toronto - Danforth

SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval to prohibit standing at all times on a section of Broadview Avenue north and south of Gamble Avenue. The proposed standing prohibition is recommended in order to improve sightlines and address safety concerns expressed by residents exiting Gamble Avenue onto Broadview Avenue.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. City Council prohibit standing at all times on the east side of Broadview Avenue, between Gamble Avenue and a point 26.4 metres south.
2. City Council prohibit standing at all time on the west side of Broadview Avenue, between Gamble Avenue and a point 67 metres north.
3. City Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays, on the east side of Broadview Avenue, between Gamble Avenue and a point 26.4 metres south.
4. City Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays, on the west side of Broadview Avenue, between Gamble Avenue and a point 67 metres north.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs 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

Broadview Avenue is a minor arterial north-south roadway that operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of about 13.5 metres. The daily average two-way traffic volume is about 14,600 vehicles and the regulatory speed limit within this segment is 50 km/h. Heavy vehicles are prohibited during the hours of 7:00 p.m. of one day to 7:00 a.m. of the next following day. There is TTC service provided by the "8 Coxwell" and "100A Don Mills" buses.

Gamble Avenue is a local east-west roadway that operated two-way traffic on a pavement width of about 9.1 metres. The daily average two-way traffic volume is about 900 vehicles, and the posted speed limit is 30 km/h. Heavy vehicles are prohibited at all time. There is no TTC service provided on Gamble Avenue.

The following parking regulations are currently in effect on Broadview Avenue, north and south of Gamble Avenue:

East Side

- Stopping is prohibited from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, from a point 55 metres north of Danforth Avenue to O'Connor Drive;
- Parking is prohibited at all times from Gamble Avenue to a point 11 metres south; and
- Parking is prohibited from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., from O'Connor Drive to a point 61 metres north of Mortimer Avenue.

West Side

- Stopping is prohibited from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, from Danforth Avenue to O'Connor Drive;
- Parking is prohibited at all times from Gamble Avenue to a point 20 metres north; and
- Parking is prohibited from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, from a point 145 metres north of Chester Hill Road to O'Connor Drive.

In response to a 311 inquiry, Transportation Services reviewed existing sightlines for eastbound and westbound traffic at the intersection of Broadview Avenue and Gamble Avenue. The areas north and south of this intersection were examined to determine the feasibility of prohibiting standing. Concerns were expressed regarding vehicles parked on the east and west side of Broadview Avenue obstructing the view of oncoming northbound and southbound traffic, respectively.

When assessing sightline conditions, the City utilizes several factors including driver perception, driver reaction, driver eye height, object height, vehicle operating speed and deceleration rate. It was noted that eastbound and westbound motorist exiting Gamble Avenue do have their sightlines of oncoming northbound and southbound traffic, respectively, obstructed by parked vehicles on the east and west side of Broadview Avenue.

Prohibiting standing at all times on Broadview Avenue, north and south of Gamble Avenue, will deter on-street parking or standing in this area, thereby improving sightlines for motorists' exiting onto Broadview Avenue. This proposal will result in the removal of six off-peak on-street parking spaces.

Councillor Paula Fletcher has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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