School Bus Loading Zone, Parking Regulation Amendments - Rogers Road

Date: December 3, 2018
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 9, Davenport

SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval to designate a School Bus Loading Zone on the south side of Rogers Road close to the school's entrance to provide a safe pick-up/drop-off area for students attending St. Nicholas of Bari Catholic School, located at 363 Rogers Road.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. City Council rescind the existing maximum 15-minute parking limit in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Rogers Road, between a point 67 metres west of Bronoco Avenue and a point 37 metres west of Bronoco Avenue.

2. City Council designate a school bus loading zone to operate between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Rogers Road, between a point 37 metres west of Bronoco Avenue and a point 30 metres further west.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The estimated cost for signage installation related to the proposed school bus loading zone is $500.00. These funds are included within the Transportation Services Division's 2019 interim Operating Budget.
DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services has been requested by St. Nicholas of Bari Catholic School's principal and Ward Councillor to investigate the feasibility of implementing a School Bus Loading Zone on the south side of Rogers Road just west of the existing mid-block pedestrian crossover.

Rogers Road is a two lane 12.6 metre wide road classified in the City's Road Classification System as a "Minor Arterial" roadway. There are bicycle lanes in each direction. The legal speed limit on Rogers Road at Bronoco Avenue is 40 km/h. Sidewalks are located on both sides of the street. The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates daily bus service on the street. A mid-block pedestrian crossover is located on Rogers Road at Bronoco Avenue.

St. Nicholas of Bari Catholic School, located at 363 Rogers Road, is on the south side of Rogers Road. Presently, there is an existing 15 minute parking limit, in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Rogers Road, from a point 37 metres west of Bronoco Avenue to a point 30 metres further west.

The following parking regulations have generally been signed near St. Nicholas of Bari Catholic School:

North side
- No stopping anytime, between a point 15 metres west of Blackthorn Avenue and a point 67 metres west of Bronoco Avenue.

South side
- No stopping anytime, between a point 72 metres east of Blackthorn Avenue and a point 67 metres west of Bronoco Avenue;
- No stopping anytime, between a point 37 metres west of Bronoco Avenue and a point 30.5 metres west of Gilbert Avenue; and
- Parking is allowed for a maximum period of 15 minutes from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday and three-hour time limit parking at all other times (unsigned, statutory), between a point 67 metres west of Bronoco Avenue and a point 37 metres west of Bronoco Avenue.

On Friday, June 15, 2018 school officials attended a meeting at the school with Transportation Services staff, Green Communities Canada staff, Ward Councillor staff and school Principal requesting the establishment of a school bus loading zone close to the school's entrance in order to provide students with a safe pick-up-/drop-off area.
Transportation Services, in consultation with the area Councillor and the principal of St. Nicholas of Bari Catholic School, determined that a school bus loading zone could be established on the south side of Rogers Road, between a point 37 metres west of Bronoco Avenue and a point 30 metres further west to operate between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. The existing parking allowed for a maximum period of 15 minutes from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday and three-hour time limit parking at all other times (unsigned, statutory) will be replaced by the school bus loading zone. This area will revert to existing parking regulations during all other times.

The local Councillor has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1: Area Map - School Bus Loading Zone, Parking Regulations Amendments
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