

Parking Amendments - Poplar Plains Crescent

Date: June 4, 2019
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 12, Toronto - St. Paul's

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.

Transportation Services is requesting approval to prohibit parking at all times on the south side of Poplar Plains Crescent, between Poplar Plains Road and Rathnelly Avenue. As municipal sidewalks are not provided on either side of this roadway, the proposal to prohibit parking on the south side of the Poplar Plains Crescent, between Poplar Plains Road and Rathnelly Avenue, will enhance pedestrian safety and the two-way flow of vehicular traffic.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect from 2:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Monday to Friday and from 2:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m., Saturday and Sunday, on the south side of Poplar Plains Crescent, between Poplar Plains Road and Rathnelly Avenue.
2. Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit parking at all times on the south side of Poplar Plains Crescent, between Poplar Plains Road and Rathnelly Avenue.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

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

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services has reviewed the feasibility of prohibiting parking at all times on the south side of Poplar Plains Crescent, between Poplar Plains Road and Rathnelly Avenue. This request arose from an April 5, 2017 meeting with representatives of the Rathnelly Area Residents Association in regards to traffic issues within their neighbourhood.

Existing Conditions

Poplar Plains Crescent, between Poplar Plains Road and Rathnelly Avenue, is classified as a two-way east/west local roadway with a posted speed limit of 30 km/h. It has a pavement width of approximately 8.7 metres and municipal sidewalks are not provided on either side of the road. Heavy trucks are prohibited at all times. There is no TTC service provided on Poplar Plains Crescent.

The following parking regulations are currently in effect on both sides of Poplar Plains Crescent, between Poplar Plains Road and Rathnelly Avenue:

- No parking from 2:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Monday to Friday and from 2:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m., Saturday and Sunday; and
- Statutory unsigned maximum three-hour time limit parking at all other times.

Due to the lack of sidewalks, when vehicles occupy the on-street parking spaces permitted on both sides of the road, pedestrians must walk along this section of Poplar Plains Crescent within the lanes that are travelled by vehicular traffic. Traffic Operations would have no objections to prohibiting parking on either side of the road to enhance pedestrian safety and the two-way flow of vehicular traffic. The Rathnelly Area Residents Association preferred allowing parking on the north side only. Traffic Operations does not have a specific preference, as a site visit conducted by staff has disclosed that there are an equal number of potential parking spaces on the north side as there are on the south side. As the residents do not favour the installation of sidewalks, the proposed parking amendment will result in the loss of approximately 15 on-street parking spaces.

Councillor Josh Matlow has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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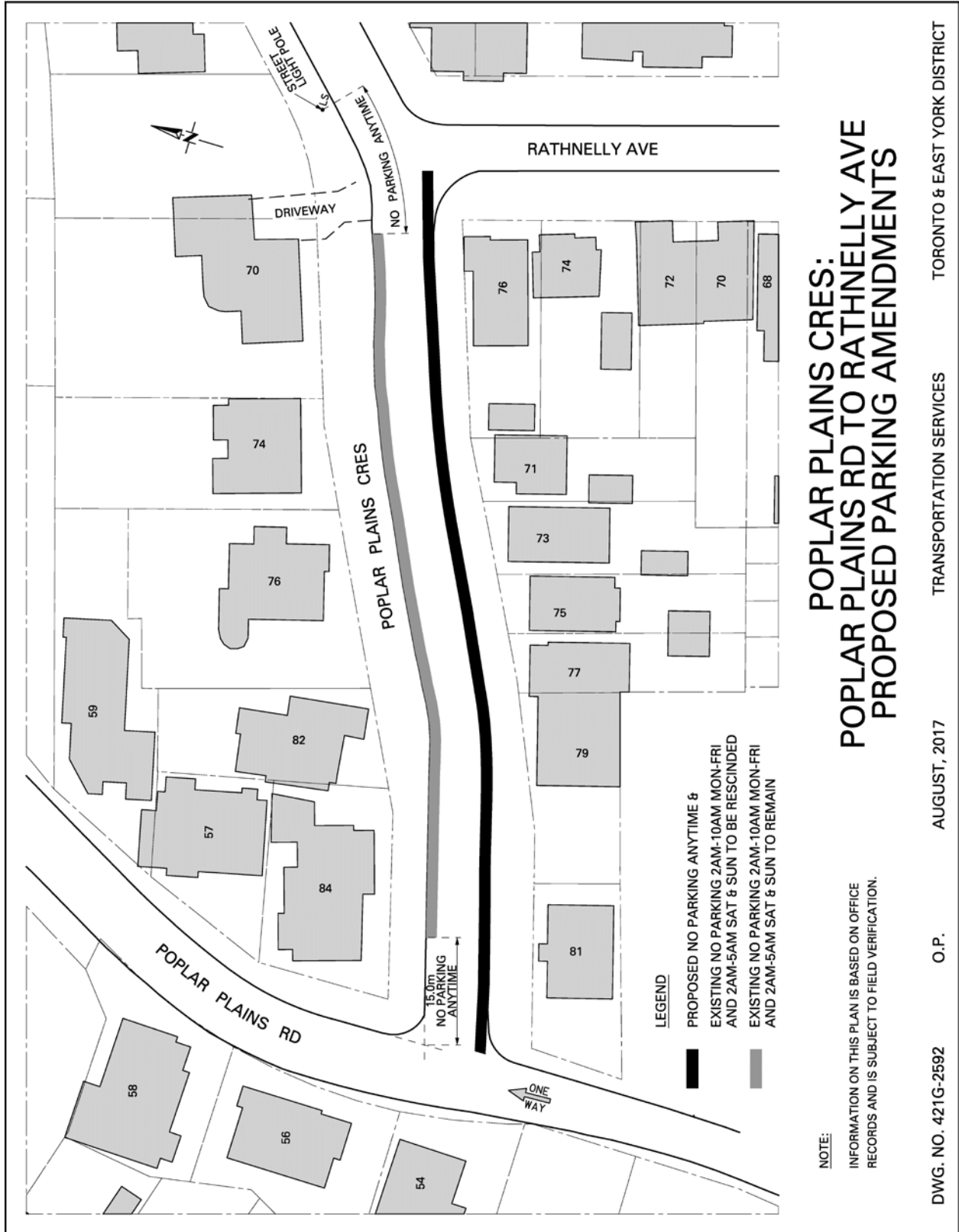
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ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-2592, dated August 2017

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