

Parking Amendments - Belsize Drive

Date: November 16, 2020

To: North York Community Council

From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 15 - Don Valley West

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services is recommending that the one-hour maximum parking regulation in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on both sides of Belsize Drive, between Harwood Road and Forman Avenue, be rescinded. This will result in the statutory unsigned three-hour maximum parking regulation being in effect at all times, as requested by residents.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. North York Community Council rescind the existing maximum one-hour parking regulation in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Belsize Drive (south roadway), between Harwood Road and Forman Avenue.
2. North York Community Council rescind the existing maximum one-hour parking regulation in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Belsize Drive (north roadway), between Harwood Road and Forman Avenue.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The funds associated with removing the existing parking regulation signs are available within the Transportation Services 2020 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services was requested by Councillor Jaye Robinson, in response to a petition from residents, to review the feasibility of rescinding the maximum one-hour parking regulation on both sides of Belsize Drive, between Harwood Road and Forman Avenue. The petition stated this is to better serve residents that now work from home due to the pandemic.

Existing Conditions

Belsize Drive is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is an east-west local roadway
- It operates two-way with the eastbound and westbound lanes on Belsize Drive divided by a 16 metre-wide median
- The eastbound lane is 5.5 metres wide and the westbound lane is 5 metres wide
- The regulatory speed limit is 30 km/h
- There are sidewalks located on both sides of the street
- It is located in a residential community west of Bayview Avenue and south of Eglinton Avenue East
- Traffic calming (speed humps) exist on this section of road
- There is no TTC service on Belsize Drive

The current parking regulations on Belsize Drive, between Harwood Road and Forman Avenue, are as follows:

Eastbound lane (south roadway):

North Side

- No Stopping Anytime (unsigned)

South Side

- One-hour maximum, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday and three-hour maximum parking at all other times (unsigned, statutory), entire length of street.

Westbound lane (north roadway):

North Side

- One-hour maximum, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday and three-hour maximum parking at all other times (unsigned, statutory), entire length of street

South side

- No Stopping Anytime (unsigned)

The statutory unsigned maximum three hour parking regulation is in effect at all times on Belsize Drive, between Forman Avenue and Boyton Road, opposite the median. Stopping is prohibited (unsigned) at all times on the median side of the road.

Proposed Changes

Rescinding the maximum one-hour parking regulation on Belsize Drive, between Harwood Road and Forman Avenue, will result in the statutory maximum three hour parking regulation being in effect at all times, as requested by residents in their petition. This would be consistent with the parking regulations on Belsize Drive, east of Forman Avenue. Since this regulation is only enforced upon request, it may result in long-term parking. The one-hour parking regulation could be reinstated after the pandemic. Staff would require an indication of community support (i.e. petition).

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

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map - Belsize Drive - Parking Amendments

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