

Parking Amendments - Stilecroft Drive

Date: November 13, 2020

To: North York Community Council

From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 6, York Centre

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 existing short-term parking and no parking anytime areas on the north side of Stilecroft Drive, east of Sentinel Road be amended.

The amendments to the existing parking regulations on the north side of Stilecroft Drive, east of Sentinel Road, will provide additional short-term parking for 24-25 vehicles and address the school's concerns regarding the safety of students during drop-off and pick-up operations. As a result of these amendments, the school bus loading zone (SBLZ) will be shortened by 17 metres but will remain adequate to meet the requirements of the Stilecroft Public School buses.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. North York Community Council authorize parking for a maximum period of 15 minutes from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Stilecroft Drive, from a point 77 metres east of Sentinel Road (north intersection) to a point 17 metres further east, and from a point 164 metres east of Sentinel Road (north intersection) to a point 132 metres further east.
2. North York Community Council prohibit parking from 4:00 p.m. of one day to 8:00 a.m. of the next following day, Monday to Friday and at all times Saturday and Sunday, on the north side of Stilecroft Drive, from a point 77 metres east of Sentinel Road (north intersection) to a point 17 metres further east, and from a point 164 metres east of Sentinel Road to a point 132 metres further east.

3. North York Community Council rescind the existing school bus loading zone in operation from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the north side of Stilecroft Drive from a point 77 metres east of Sentinel Road (north intersection) to a point 44 metres further east.
4. North York Community Council designate a school bus loading zone to be in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Stilecroft Drive, from a point 94 metres east of Sentinel Road (north intersection) to a point 27 metres further east.
5. North York Community Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on the north side of Stilecroft Drive, from a point 77 metres east of Sentinel Road (north intersection) to Sharpecroft Boulevard.
6. North York Community Council prohibit parking at all times on the north side of Stilecroft Drive, from a point 94 metres east of Sentinel Road (north intersection) to a point 70 metres further east and from a point 296 metres east of Sentinel Road (north intersection) to Sharpecroft Boulevard.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed amendments are approximately \$2,000.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2021 Interim Appropriations.

DECISION HISTORY

Transportation Services was contacted by representatives of Stilecroft Public School in 2015 with concerns regarding traffic congestion in front of the school during school start and dismissal times. As a result, the parking regulations on Stilecroft Drive in the vicinity of the school were amended to accommodate parking during school hours.

Full details of the report can be found in the link below:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2015.NY5.10>

COMMENTS

The Ward Councillor, on behalf of Stilecroft Public School representatives, requested additional short-term parking (maximum 15 minutes) for parents to pick-up and drop-off students on the north side of Stilecroft Drive in front of the school. The school serves junior kindergarten to grade five students.

Existing Conditions

Stilecroft Drive is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two-lane, east-west, local roadway
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of approximately 8.5 metres
- The regulatory speed limit is 40 km/h
- Heavy trucks are prohibited at all times
- There is no TTC service provided
- There are sidewalks located on both sides of the street
- Stilecroft Drive, between Sentinel Road and Sharpecroft Boulevard, is designated a Community Safety Zone

Stilecroft Drive is located in a residential area west of Keele Street and north of Sheppard Avenue West. Stilecroft Public School is located at 50 Stilecroft Drive. Neighbouring the school are Grandravine Park and Grandravine Community Recreation Centre, both on the north side of the street.

The current parking regulations on Stilecroft Drive, within the subject section, are as follows:

North side

- No parking anytime between Sentinel Road (north intersection) and a point 45 metres east
- Parking is permitted for 15 minutes maximum from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday from a point 45 metres east of Sentinel Road (north intersection) to a point 32 metres further east
- No parking from 4:00 p.m. of one day to 8:00 a.m. of the next following day, Monday to Friday and at all times Saturday and Sunday, from a point 45 metres east of Sentinel Road (north intersection) to a point 32 metres further east
- A SBLZ is located between a point 77 metres east of Sentinel Road (north intersection) and a point 44 metres further east.
- No parking anytime from a point 77 metres east of Sentinel Road (north intersection) to Sharpecroft Boulevard
- No stopping from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, from a point 121 metres east of Sentinel Road (north intersection) to a point 147 metres further east

South side

- No stopping from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, from Sentinel Road (north intersection) to a point 147 metres east
- Parking is permitted for a maximum period of 3 hours at all other times

A map of the area is included in Attachments 1 and 2.

Proposed Changes

The Ward Councillor's office was approached by representatives of Stilecroft Public School requesting additional short-term parking for student pick-up and drop-off operations during school hours. Subsequently, in consultation with the Principal of the school it was determined that the designated length of the existing SBLZ is no longer required. Therefore, Transportation Services staff are proposing shortening the SBLZ and utilizing the space by extending the curbside short-term parking area (15-minute

maximum) for student pick-up/drop-off. Furthermore, at the request of the Ward Councillor and the school, Transportation Services is proposing a new 132 metres of additional short-term parking area on the north side of Stilecroft Drive, 164 metres east of Sentinel Road. These amendments will address concerns regarding traffic congestion and provide additional room for approximately 25 vehicles for drop-off and pick-up of children attending the school. The existing short-term parking area accommodates approximately six vehicles. Parking will continue to be allowed outside of school hours on the south side of Stilecroft Drive.

Furthermore, Transportation Services staff will conduct a study to observe the impact the new short-term parking regulation introduced on the north side of Stilecroft Drive may have for street operation and follow up to determine if further modifications are required.

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

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map - Parking Amendments - Stilecroft Drive

