

U-Turn Prohibition - Marcos Boulevard, between Midland Avenue and Cicerella Crescent (East Intersection)

Date: November 28, 2019
To: Scarborough Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 21 – Scarborough Centre

SUMMARY

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

This report recommends a U-turn prohibition on Marcos Boulevard, between Midland Avenue and Cicerella Crescent east intersection. Prohibiting U-turns will provide a safer environment for all road users along this section of Marcos Boulevard, which is in the vicinity of Charles Gordon Senior Public School.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Scarborough Community Council prohibit eastbound and westbound U-turn movements at all times on Marcos Boulevard, between Midland Avenue and Cicerella Crescent (east intersection).

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The cost of installing the required signage is approximately \$2,000. The funding for these signs is available in the Transportation Services Division's 2020 Interim Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

As a result of a request from the vice principal of Charles Gordon Senior Public School, Transportation Services staff reviewed the feasibility of prohibiting U-turns on Marcos Boulevard, between Midland Avenue and Cicerella Crescent (east intersection), in the vicinity of Charles Gordon Senior Public School.

Existing Conditions

The following characteristics describe Marcos Boulevard, between Midland Avenue and Cicerella Crescent (east intersection):

- Marcos Boulevard is a two-lane local road with a posted speed limit of 40 km/h complete with sidewalks on both sides.
- The land use in the surrounding area consists mainly of single family residential homes, a senior public school and parkland abutting Marcos Boulevard.
- Charles Gordon Senior Public School is located at 25 Marcos Boulevard, just east of Cicerella Crescent west intersection.

Collision Analysis

A collision analysis conducted for the five-year period ending December 31, 2018 revealed there were no reported collisions associated with vehicles making U-turn manoeuvres near the school.

U-Turn Prohibition

This school zone on Marcos Boulevard, between Midland Avenue and Cicerella Crescent (east intersection), was recently designated as a community safety zone and school safety zone with signage, flashing beacons, speed board and pavement markings. In order to complement these safety zones, parking prohibitions are in place in advance of the school and park. Prohibiting U-turns on Marcos Boulevard, between Midland Avenue and Cicerella Crescent (east intersection) is recommended by staff to further improve the overall safety for all road users by minimizing vehicular conflicts and allowing for proper enforcement by Toronto Police Service. A U-turn-prohibition at this location will bring this community one step closer to the City-wide "Vision Zero" initiative.

Councillor Michael Thompson has been advised of the recommendation of this report.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Attachment 1: Location Plan U-turn Prohibition - Marcos Boulevard, between Midland Avenue and Cicerella Crescent (east intersection).

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