

## **U-Turn Prohibition - Seasons Drive**

**Date:** February 10, 2020  
**To:** Scarborough Community Council  
**From:** Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services  
**Wards:** Ward 23 – Scarborough North

### **SUMMARY**

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

This report recommends that City Council prohibit U-turns on Seasons Drive, between Oasis Boulevard and Grosbeak Crescent. Prohibiting U-turns will provide a safer environment for all road users along this section of Seasons Drive located adjacent to Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Catholic School.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

1. City Council prohibit eastbound and westbound U-turn movements at all times on Seasons Drive, between Oasis Boulevard and Grosbeak Crescent.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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

### **DECISION HISTORY**

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This report addresses a new initiative.

## COMMENTS

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In response to a request from Councillor Cynthia Lai's office on behalf of school and Parent Teacher Association representatives, Transportation Services staff reviewed the feasibility of prohibiting U-turns on Seasons Drive near Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Catholic School.

### Existing Conditions

The following characteristics describe the subject section of Seasons Drive:

- Seasons Drive is located south of Steeles Avenue East and west of Staines Road.
- Seasons Drive is a two-lane collector road with a regulatory speed limit of 40 km/h.
- Sidewalks are located on both sides of Seasons Drive.
- Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Catholic School is located at 8 Seasons Drive on the north side of Seasons Drive, east of Oasis Boulevard.
- Brookside Public School is located at 75 Oasis Boulevard on the east side of Oasis Boulevard, north of Seasons Drive, adjacent to Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Catholic School.
- The land use in the surrounding area consists mainly of single family residential dwellings, schools, and parks.
- The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates revenue bus service on Seasons Drive.

At a school meeting in January 2020, school and Parent Teacher Association representatives expressed concerns that many eastbound vehicles on Seasons Drive are making U-turns in front of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Catholic School to subsequently travel back westbound on Seasons Drive and vice versa.

A collision analysis conducted for the five-year period ending December 31, 2018 revealed there was one reported collision associated with a vehicle making a U-turn manoeuvre on Seasons Drive near Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Catholic School.

Given that this area of Seasons Drive is a school zone, the prohibition of eastbound and westbound U-turns on Seasons Drive between Oasis Boulevard and Grosbeak Crescent is expected to provide a safer environment for all road users, enhance traffic conditions and allow for enforcement by the Toronto Police Service.

The Ward Councillor has been advised of the recommendation in this report.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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1. Attachment 1 - Location Plan (U-Turn Prohibition - Seasons Drive)

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