

Parking Amendments - Westwood Avenue

Date: January 16, 2020
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 14, Toronto - Danforth

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 recommending the extension of the existing standing prohibitions on both sides of Westwood Avenue, between Pape Avenue and Carlaw Avenue. This is in response to petitions submitted by residents to Councillor Paula Fletcher's office requesting an amendment to the existing parking regulations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on the north side of Westwood Avenue, between Carlaw Avenue and a point 32 metres west of Pape Avenue.
2. Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit standing at all times on the north side of Westwood Avenue, between Carlaw Avenue and a point 32 metres west of Pape Avenue.
3. Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit standing at all times on the south side of Westwood Avenue, between a point 21 metres west of Pape Avenue and a point 37.5 metres west of Pape Avenue.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All cost associated with the necessary signage installation are included within the Transportation Services 2020 Interim Operating Budget estimates.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

In response to a resident petition received by Councillor Paula Fletcher's office, Transportation Services was requested to extend the existing standing prohibitions on both sides of Westwood Avenue, between Pape Avenue and Carlaw Avenue.

Westwood Avenue is a local two-way roadway that operate east-west traffic on a pavement width of about 8.5 metres. The daily average traffic volume is about 750 vehicles and the posted speed limit is 30 km/h. TTC does not provide service on Westwood Avenue and heavy trucks are prohibited at all times.

Currently, the following regulations are in place on Westwood Avenue, between Carlaw Avenue and Pape Avenue:

North Side

- No parking anytime between Carlaw Avenue and a point 32 metres west of Pape Avenue, and
- No standing anytime between Pape Avenue and a point 32 metres west.

South Side

- No standing anytime between Pape Avenue and a point 21 metres west;
- Permit parking from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m., between Carlaw Avenue and a point 21 metres west of Pape Avenue, and
- Three-hour statutory parking at all other times, between Carlaw Avenue and a point 21 metres west of Pape Avenue

In an effort to improve the current parking arrangements on Westwood Avenue, residents consulted with Traffic Operations and former Councillor Mary Fragedakis to address concerns regarding frequent and long-term parking by accessible parking permit holders. Accordingly, residents submitted a petition requesting a standing prohibition on the north side of Westwood Avenue, between Carlaw Avenue and Pape Avenue, to prevent accessible parking permit holders from parking on the north side of Westwood Avenue.

Residents also had concerns regarding frequent parking of vehicles within a 16.5 metre curbed depressed area just west of the existing standing prohibition on the south side of Westwood Avenue, between Pape Avenue and a point 21 metres west. This area is intended to allow motorists access to the laneway west of Pape north of Mortimer Avenue, and to provide access to off-street parking for the businesses on the west side of Donlands Avenue, south of Westwood Avenue. In order to ensure that motorists are not parking within the easement, residents submitted a petition requesting the extension of the existing standing prohibition on the south side of Westwood Avenue in effect between Pape Avenue to a point 21 metres west, to being in effect between Pape Avenue to a point 37.5 metres west.

Councillor Paula Fletcher has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-3637, dated January 2020

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