

Parking Amendments - Cedarvale Avenue

Date: January 20, 2020
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 19, Beaches - East York

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 an amendment to the existing school bus loading zone on the east side of Cedarvale Avenue, between Trenton Avenue and Bracebridge Avenue. The proposed changes will assist in the safe movement and pick-up/drop-off of students to Parkside Elementary School. These changes will result in the loss of approximately one permit parking and pay-and-display parking space.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Toronto and East York Community Council amend the existing school bus loading zone in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., on the east side of Cedarvale Avenue, between a point 186 metres north of Cosburn Avenue and a point 54 metres further north, to be in effect between a point 172 metres north of Cosburn Avenue and a point 49 metres further north.
2. Toronto and East York Community Council amend the existing maximum ten-minute parking limit in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the east side of Cedarvale Avenue, between a point 126 metres north of Cosburn Avenue and a point 60 metres further north, to be in effect between a point 126 metres north of Cosburn Avenue and a point 46 metres further north.
3. Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit parking at all times on the east side of Cedarvale Avenue, between Trenton Avenue and point 20 metres south.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All costs 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

Transportation Services has received a request from Councillor Brad Bradford's office to review sight line issues caused by parked school buses on the east side of Cedarvale Avenue, obstructing the view of children and parents crossing the pedestrian crosswalk at the intersection of Trenton Avenue and Cedarvale Avenue.

Cedarvale Avenue, between Cosburn Avenue and Trenton Avenue, is a local road that operates with two-way traffic. It has a posted speed limit of 30 km/h and a daily two-way traffic volume of about 700 to 1,600 vehicles. The pavement width on Cedarvale Avenue is about 9.1 metres and there are sidewalks provided on both sides. Heavy trucks are prohibited at all times. There is no regular TTC bus service provided, except the "404 East York" Community Bus runs on Cedarvale Avenue. Parkside Elementary School (401 Cedarvale Avenue) is located on the east side of Cedarvale Avenue, opposite Trenton Avenue.

The parking regulations on Cedarvale Avenue, between Trenton Avenue and Bracebridge Avenue, are generally as follows:

East side

- Maximum ten-minute parking, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, between a point 126 metres north of Cosburn Avenue and a point 60 metres further north,
- School bus loading zone, in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., between a point 186 metres north of Cosburn Avenue and a point 54 metres further north, and
- Maximum three hour parking from Cosburn Avenue to a point 126 metres north.

West side

- No parking anytime

Currently, the school bus loading zone for Parkside Elementary School starts immediately south of the pedestrian crossing lines at the intersection of Trenton Avenue and Cedarvale Avenue. An on-site investigation has confirmed that parked school buses on the east side of Cedarvale Avenue, in the school bus loading zone, are causing sight line issues for vehicles travelling northbound on Cedarvale Avenue. View of the northbound stop control, as well as the view of children and parents waiting to cross westbound at the intersection, are obstructed by parked school buses.

Through consultation with Parkside Elementary School, the Councillor and city staff, it was decided to relocate the start of the school bus loading zone about 20 metres south of the pedestrian crosswalk. The proposed amendments will improve safety and visibility for children and parents coming from and heading to school.

Councillor Brad Bradford has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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1. Drawings No. 421G-3639 & 421G-3669, dated January 2020

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