

Parking Amendments - Gough Avenue

Date: June 23, 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 that the existing maximum 10-minute parking regulation in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., from 12:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the west side of Gough Avenue, between Danforth Avenue and a point 29.5 metres south, amended to be in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., from 12:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday. Play Loft Preschool has received several complaints from parents receiving parking tickets while picking up their children between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., currently designated as "no parking anytime". The proposed amendments will address this issue and facilitate pick-up activity.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Toronto and East York Community Council amend the existing maximum 10-minute parking regulation in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., from 12:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the west side of Gough Avenue, between Danforth Avenue and a point 29.5 metres south, to be in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., from 12:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.

2. Toronto and East York Community Council amend the existing parking prohibition in effect from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., from 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. of one day to 8:00 a.m. of the next following day, Monday to Friday, and at all times on Saturday and Sunday, on the west side of Gough Avenue, between Danforth Avenue and a point 29.5 metres south, to be in effect from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. of one day to 8:00 a.m. of the next following day, Monday to Friday, and at all times on Saturday and Sunday.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

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

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting on September 6, 2017, Toronto and East York Community Council adopted Item Te26.91 entitled "Short-Term Parking - Gough Avenue" and in so doing, authorized a maximum 10-minute pick-up and drop-off area on Gough Avenue for the Play Loft Preschool. The Council decision can be found at:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2017.TE26.91>

COMMENTS

Play Loft Preschool is requesting an amendment to the hours of operation of the maximum 10-minute pick-up and drop-off area on Gough Avenue. Currently, parking for a maximum of 10-minutes is in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., from 12:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the west side of Gough Avenue, between Danforth Avenue and a point 29.5 metres south. Play Loft Preschool has a program that ends at 4:00 p.m., which coincides with the existing 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. parking prohibition. This overlap has resulted in Play Loft Preschool receiving several complaints from parents who have received parking tickets while engaged in pick-up activity.

Play Loft Preschool, 583 Danforth Avenue, is located on the south side of Danforth Avenue, approximately 26 metres west of Gough Avenue. At the 4:00 p.m. dismissal of one of the Play Loft Preschool programs, the following parking regulations are in effect:

Danforth Avenue

- No stopping from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays, on the south side of Danforth Avenue between Carlaw Avenue and Pape Avenue.

Gough Avenue

- No stopping anytime on the east side of Gough Avenue, between Danforth Avenue and a point 58 metres south;
- No parking from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., from 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. of one day to 8:00 a.m. of the next following day, Monday to Friday, on the west side of Gough Avenue, between Danforth Avenue and a point 29.5 metres south; and
- Parking for a maximum period of 10-minutes from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the west side of Gough Avenue, between Danforth Avenue and a point 29.5 metres south.

Based on the existing parking regulations, parking is not available at 4:00 p.m. on the south side of Danforth Avenue or on either side of Gough Avenue to facilitate pick-up and drop-off activity. To address this issue, Play Loft Preschool is requesting the afternoon start time for the maximum 10-minute pick-up and drop-off area on the west side of Gough Avenue be in effect from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday instead of the current 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday time frame.

Councillor Paula Fletcher is in support of this request as the original pick-up and drop-off area was designated for Play Loft Preschool. As such, Transportation Services has no objection to the proposed parking amendment.

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

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-3712, dated June 2020

