

Parking Amendments - Bruyeres Mews

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To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 10, Spadina - Fort 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 that the existing standing prohibitions on Bruyeres Mews, between Bathurst Street and Iannuzzi Street be changed to a more restrictive stopping prohibition. The proposed change will discourage illegal parking and improve unobstructed two-way traffic flow and sightlines for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians on this section of Bruyeres Mews.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing standing prohibition in effect at all times on the north side of Bruyeres Mews, between Bathurst Street and a point 15 metres west.
2. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing standing prohibition in effect at all times on the south side of Bruyeres Mews, between Bathurst Street and Iannuzzi Street.
3. Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit stopping at all times on the north side of Bruyeres Mews, between Bathurst Street and a point 15 metres west.
4. Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit stopping at all times on the south side of Bruyeres Mews, between Bathurst Street and Iannuzzi Street.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

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

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

In response to complaints received by Councillor Joe Cressy's office, Transportation Services was requested to investigate the feasibility of amending the existing parking regulations on Bruyeres Mews, between Bathurst Street and Iannuzzi Street, to deter illegal two-sided parking and improve unobstructed two-way traffic flow.

Bruyeres Mews, between Bathurst Street and Iannuzzi Street, is a local road that operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of about 8 metres. It has a regulatory speed limit of 40 km/h. There is no TTC service provided on Bruyeres Mews. The land use on Bruyeres Mews is generally high-rise residential. However, there are a number of ground-floor businesses, including a fast-food restaurant and a coffee shop, which may encourage illegal parking within the areas with a "No Standing Anytime" regulation.

Currently, the following regulations are in place on Bruyeres Mews, between Bathurst Street and Iannuzzi Street:

North Side

- Parking for a maximum period of 15 minutes between Iannuzzi Street and a point 15 metres west of Bathurst Street, and
- No standing anytime between Bathurst Street and a point 15 metres west

South Side

- No standing anytime between Bathurst Street and Iannuzzi Street

Based on field observations and complaints received by Councillor Cressy's office, staff confirmed that several vehicles were parked illegally within the signed "No Standing" area and impacting two-way traffic flow on this section of Bruyeres Mews. Motorists were also observed parking illegally and entering one of the ground floor businesses on this street. As a result, vehicles were parked on both sides of the roadway, impacting traffic operations and compromising the safety of all road users on Bruyeres Mews, between Bathurst Street and Iannuzzi Street.

Transportations Services recommends amending the existing standing prohibition on Bruyeres Mews, between Bathurst Street and Iannuzzi Street, to a more restrictive stopping prohibition (No Standing Anytime to No Stopping Anytime).

This proposed amendments should help deter illegal two-sided parking, maintain unobstructed two-way traffic flow, improve sightlines and enhance safety for all road users on this section of Bruyeres Mews.

Councillor Joe Cressy has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-3689, dated February 2020

