

Accessible Parking Space - Bedford Park Avenue

Date: March 19, 2021
To: North York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 8, Eglinton-Lawrence

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services is requesting approval for the installation of an on-street accessible parking space on the south side of Bedford Park Avenue.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. North York Community Council designate an on-street accessible parking space in effect at all times on the south side of Bedford Park Avenue, between a point 45.7 metres east of Elm Road and a point 5.5 metres further east.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed installation of the accessible parking space is approximately \$300.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2021 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services provides designated on-street accessible parking as a convenience for people with disabilities and/or those who transport them, making it easier for them to find available parking as near as possible to their places of residence or intended destinations and reducing the distances that the disabled people must walk.

Designated on-street accessible parking spaces are not for the exclusive use of any one resident. Any person with a valid Accessible Parking Permit issued by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario (MTO) may park in any designated on-street accessible parking space. Designated on-street accessible parking spaces may be relocated for technical or operational reasons, if deemed necessary by the City.

Delays in installing on-street accessible parking spaces may create hardships for the applicants. Timely removal of a designated on-street accessible parking space when it is no longer needed, for instance when the resident moves or is no longer eligible, aids in maximizing available on-street parking for other residents/motorists.

Bedford Park Avenue is an 8.5-metre wide, two-way, local road with the following parking regulations:

Both sides

- Permit parking from 12:01 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., daily
- Unsigned statutory three hour parking limit at all other times

To be eligible for on-street accessible parking, applicants must hold a valid Accessible Parking Permit issued by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario (MTO). Staff have determined that the installation of the accessible parking space is feasible as the requirements are met. The designated space will result in loss of one on-street parking space for general use. There are a total of 83 on-street permit parking spaces available on Bedford Park Avenue between Elm Road and Greer Road out of which 33 have been issued up to date.

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

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ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments to this report.