

Parking Amendment - Brooklawn Avenue

Date: April 29, 2021

To: Scarborough Community Council

From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 20, Scarborough Southwest

SUMMARY

As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a transit service on Brooklawn Avenue, City Council approval of this report is required.

Transportation Services is recommending that standing be prohibited on one side of Brooklawn Avenue which is negatively impacted by the overwhelming number of people visiting Bluffers Park and parking on both sides of the road for extended periods during seasonal weekends and public holidays. The proposed changes will deter parking on one side of the road and allow for improved two-way traffic flow and reduce congestion during Bluffers Parks most busy times on weekends and public holidays from May 1 to September 30.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. City Council prohibit standing on the west side of Brooklawn Avenue, between Sloley Road and Sunnypoint Crescent from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Saturday, Sunday, and public holidays, from May 1 to September 30 of each year.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed amendments are approximately \$2,500.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2021 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

The Ward Councillor, on behalf of residents in the Bluffers Park Neighbourhood, requested that standing be prohibited on one side of Brooklawn Avenue in order to prevent vehicles from parking on both sides of the street and improve traffic flow during Bluffers Park's most busy times on seasonal weekends and public holidays.

Existing Conditions

Brooklawn Avenue is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two-lane, north-south collector roadway between Kingston Road and Broadmead Avenue, and it designated as a local road, between Broadmead Avenue and Sunnypoint Crescent
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of approximately 8.5 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 320 vehicles
- The unposted regulatory speed limit is 50 km/h, between Kingston Road and Barkdene Hills. The speed limit changes to a posted 40 km/h, between Barkdene Hills and Sunnypoint Crescent (south intersection)
- Heavy trucks are prohibited at all times
- There is TTC service provided by the 12C bus
- There are sidewalks located on one side of Brooklawn Avenue, between Kingston Road and Barkdene Hills. There are no sidewalks south from Barkdene Hills

The surrounding land use mostly consists of single family residential homes and Bluffers Park is located to the south.

The parking regulations on Brooklawn Avenue, within the subject section are as follows:

East Side

- No parking anytime from Kingston Road to a point 76.25 metres further south
- Statutory maximum 3-hour parking at all other times

West Side

- No parking anytime from Kingston Road to Sloley Road.
- Statutory maximum 3-hour parking at all other times

Proposed Changes

The proposed standing prohibitions will allow for limited parking on one side of the Brooklawn Avenue, and will provide unrestricted access/egress to driveways, allow for two-way traffic flow, and eliminate congestion during weekends and public holidays, when Bluffers Park season is at its peak. The proposed changes will not have a negative impact on TTC service provided on Brooklawn Avenue.

A map of the area and proposed parking amendments is included in Attachment 1.

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

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map - Parking Amendment - Brooklawn Avenue

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