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REPORT FOR ACTION

Parking Amendments - Joe Shuster Way

Date: June 4, 2021

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 from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services is recommending that the existing parking prohibition on the west and south side of Joe Shuster Way, between King Street West and Dufferin Street, be changed to a stopping prohibition. The proposed amendment will discourage illegal parking and improve unobstructed two-way traffic flow and sightlines for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians on Joe Shuster Way.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

- 1. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on the west and south side of Joe Shuster Way, between King Street West and Dufferin Street.
- 2. Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit stopping at all times on the west and south side of Joe Shuster Way, between King Street West and Dufferin Street.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed amendments are approximately \$3,800.00. 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, requested that parking regulations on Joe Shuster Way be reviewed to address concerns raised due to traffic flow issues caused by delivery vehicles and illegal parking.

Existing Conditions

Joe Shuster Way, between King Street West and Dufferin Street, is a local roadway with sidewalks on both sides. It operates with two-way traffic on a pavement width of 8.5 metres. The roadway is primarily comprised of residential condominiums with a number of retail units. It has a speed limit of 30 km/h. There is no Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) service on Joe Shuster Way.

The parking regulations on Joe Shuster Way are as follows:

East and North Side

- No standing anytime, between King Street West and a point 121 metres north/west
- Pay-and-display parking
- Permit parking from 12:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., daily

West and South Side

No parking anytime, between King Street West and Dufferin Street

Proposed Changes

Based on field observations and complaints received by the Ward Councillor's office, staff confirmed that several vehicles were parked illegally within the signed "No Parking Anytime" area and impacting two-way traffic flow on Joe Shuster Way. 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 Joe Shuster Way, particularly the section north of King Street West.

Transportations Services recommends amending the existing parking prohibition on the west and south side of Joe Shuster Way, between Dufferin Street and King Street West, to a more restrictive stopping prohibition ("No Parking 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 roadway.

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

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

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map - Parking Amendments - Joe Shuster Way

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