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NEW BUSINESS

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Date: June 22, 2021

To: Toronto and East York Community Council

From: Councillor Gord Perks

Subject: Removal of the Rush Hour Parking Prohibition on the east side of Parkside Drive

SUMMARY

Residents of Parkside Drive and the Sunnyside Community Association are concerned about motorists exceeding the speed limit on Parkside Drive.

Parkside Drive, between Lake Shore Boulevard West and Bloor Street West, is a four-lane major arterial roadway with a regulatory speed limit of 50 km/h.

A sidewalk exists along the east side of Parkside Drive. There is no sidewalk on the west side of Parkside Drive with the exception of the northwest and southwest corners at High Park Boulevard and the TTC stop just north of the underpass at Spring Road.

There is currently "No Parking, 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m., Mon –Fri", on the east side between The Queensway and a point 54 metres south of Bloor Street West.

Residents have expressed safety concerns as there is no buffer between pedestrians and motorists during the rush hour period.

The removal of the evening rush hour parking restriction will create a buffer between motorists and pedestrians.

Transportation advised that they anticipate an increase to queuing and delays for northbound motorists, including TTC service.

Transit service on Parkside Drive is provided by the 80 Queensway bus. This bus operates in mixed traffic, and as such, would also be affected by any changes that are made to general traffic.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. City Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays, on the east side of Parkside Drive, between The Queensway and a point 54 metres south of Bloor Street West.

Councillor Gord Perks Ward 14, Parkdale-High Park





