

Parking Amendments - Morgan Avenue and Penhurst Avenue

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To: Etobicoke York Community Council

From: Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 3 - Etobicoke-Lakeshore

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 east side of Morgan Avenue be replaced with a maximum 10 minutes parking regulation. In addition, Transportation Services is recommending that the existing school bus loading zone on the west side of Penhurst Avenue be extended further south and that stopping be prohibited on the east side of Penhurst Drive, opposite the school.

The proposed amendments will provide short-term parking to facilitate pick-up and drop-off of school children at St. Louis Catholic School, provide additional space for school buses and improve traffic operations in the area of the school.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. Etobicoke York Community Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the east side of Morgan Avenue, between a point 40 metres south of The Queensway and a point 74 metres further south thereof.
2. Etobicoke York Community Council authorize parking for a maximum period of 10 minutes from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the east side of Morgan Avenue, between a point 40 metres south of The Queensway and a point 74 metres further south.

3. Etobicoke York Community Council amend the existing school bus loading zone in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., daily, on the west side of Penhurst Avenue, between a point 27.5 metres south of The Queensway and a point 73 metres further south, to be in effect from a point 27.5 metres south of The Queensway and a point 97 metres further south.

4. Etobicoke York Community Council prohibit stopping from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the east side of Penhurst Avenue, between a point 35 metres south of The Queensway and a point 85 metres further south.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed amendments are approximately \$2,000.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2022 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

The principal of St. Louis Catholic School had requested a review of parking regulations in the area of the school. As a result, a maximum 10 minute student pick-up and drop-off area on the east Morgan Avenue, within the area currently designated as no parking was recommended. In addition, concerns were raised regarding the need for additional space for school buses and that vehicles parking opposite the school buses on Penhurst Avenue. As a result it was recommended that the existing school bus loading zone be extended to the south property line of the school and that stopping be prohibited opposite the school.

Existing Conditions

Morgan Avenue is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two-lane, north-south local roadway
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width between 7.5 metres and 10 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 650 vehicles
- The speed limit is 40 km/h
- Heavy trucks are prohibited at all times
- There is no TTC service provided
- There is a sidewalk located on the east side of the street
- St. Louis Catholic School is between Morgan Avenue and Penhurst Avenue

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

East side

- No parking 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, between a point 40 metres south of The Queensway and a point 74 metres further south.
- Maximum 1 hour parking, between a point 114 metres south of The Queensway and Dalesford Road

West side

- No parking anytime

Penhurst Avenue is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two-lane, north-south local roadway
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width between 7.5 metres and 10 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 800 vehicles
- The speed limit is 40 km/h
- Heavy trucks are prohibited at all times
- There is no TTC service provided
- There is a sidewalk located on west side of the street

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

East side

- No parking anytime

West side

- School bus loading zone in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., daily, between a point 27.5 metres south of The Queensway and a point 73 metres further south
- The unsigned statutory three-hour maximum parking limit between a point 100.5 metres south of The Queensway and Dalesford Road

Proposed Changes

The proposed regulations will provide short-term parking to facilitate pick-up and drop-off of school children in front of St Louis Catholic School on Morgan Avenue. The proposed no stopping, opposite the school on Penhurst Avenue, will reduce congestion and improve safety in the area. In addition, the extended school bus loading zone will provide sufficient space to accommodate the school buses servicing the school.

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 - Morgan Avenue and Penhurst Avenue

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