

Parking Amendments - Birkdale Road

Date: June 14, 2022

To: Scarborough Community Council

From: Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 21, Scarborough Centre

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 school bus loading zone be removed in front of Edgewood Public School, and that the duration and limits of the existing short-term parking zone be amended. The proposed parking changes will create five additional on-street short-term parking spaces at this location and will further facilitate student pick-up and drop-off activities.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. Scarborough Community Council rescind the existing school bus loading zone in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the north side of Birkdale Road, between a point 96 metres east of Abbottswood Road and a point 37 metres further east.
2. Scarborough Community Council amend the existing parking for a maximum period of 30-minutes in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Birkdale Road, between Abbottswood Road and 137 metres east of Abbottswood Road, to be in effect as parking for a maximum period of 15-minutes from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed amendments are approximately \$1,500.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2022 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services was requested by the Ward Councillor, on behalf of the Edgewood Public School principal, to remove the existing school bus loading zone on Birkdale Road as it is no longer required and to extend the existing short-term parking zone in its place.

Existing Conditions

Birkdale Road, in front of Edgewood Public School, is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two-lane, east-west, collector roadway
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of approximately 8.5 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 2,500 vehicles
- The speed limit is 40 km/h
- Heavy trucks are prohibited at all times
- There is no TTC service
- There are sidewalks located on both sides of the street
- This is a designated signed School Safety Zone with flashing beacons and signed Community Safety Zone

The parking regulations on Birkdale Road in front of Edgewood Public School are as follows:

North side

- Parking for a maximum duration of 30 minutes, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the north side of Birkdale Road, between Abbottswood Road and a point 98 metres east (signed)
- School bus loading zone from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., on the north side of Birkdale Road, between a point 96 metres east of Abbottswood Road and a point 37 metres further east
- Statutory maximum three-hour parking at all other times

South side

- No stopping from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday
- Statutory maximum three-hour parking at all other times

Proposed Changes

The existing school bus loading zone fronting the school is no longer required and can be removed in order to facilitate additional on-street short-term parking. As well, amending the existing 30-minute parking to a 15-minute parking duration will encourage vehicular turnover and provide approximately five additional short-term parking spaces fronting the school. The proposed recommendation will further facilitate student pick-up and drop-off activities.

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 - Birkdale Road

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