

Parking Amendments - High Park Avenue

Date: April 1, 2022

To: Toronto and East York Community Council

From: Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 4, Parkdale - High Park

SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is recommending that stopping be prohibited on the west side of High Park Avenue, in the vicinity of High Park Subway Station driveway loop. The proposed amendment will deter vehicles from parking/stopping on the west side of High Park Avenue, just south of the High Park Subway Station driveway loop, improving maneuverability and sight lines for TTC buses turning between High Park Avenue and the driveway.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council amend the existing parking prohibition in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays on the west side of High Park Avenue between Bloor Street West and Humberside Avenue to be in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. daily, between Bloor Street West and a point 59.1 metres further north.
2. City Council prohibit parking from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. on the west side of High Park Avenue between a point 81.8 metres north of Bloor Street West and Glenlake Avenue.
3. City Council prohibit parking from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on the west side of High Park Avenue between Glenlake Avenue and Humberside Avenue.
4. City Council prohibit stopping at all times on the west side of High Park Avenue between a point 59.1 metres north of Bloor Street West and a point 22.7 metres further north.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

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

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services staff received a request from TTC to investigate the feasibility of prohibiting stopping on the west side of High Park Avenue, in the vicinity of High Park Subway Station driveway loop, to ensure that parked vehicles do not impede the movements for TTC vehicles exiting their driveway.

Existing Conditions

High Park Avenue is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two lane, north-south, collector roadway
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of approximately 12.8 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 1,700 vehicles
- The speed limit is 40 km/h
- Heavy trucks are prohibited at all times
- There is TTC service provided by the 30 High Park Bus
- There are sidewalks located on both sides of the street
- Lanes are shared by motorists and cyclists as indicated by "sharrows" on the pavement

The parking regulations on the west side of High Park Avenue, approximately 65 metres north of Bloor Street West, providing two-way access for TTC buses in the subject section are as follows:

West side

- Permit parking from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily
- Pay-and-display parking, between a point 30.5 metres north of Bloor Street West and Glenlake Avenue, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday, and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Sunday
- Stand for two taxicabs at all times, just north of the High Park Subway Station

East side

- No parking anytime, between Bloor Street West and a point 51 metres north
- Permit parking from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily
- Pay-and-display parking, between a point 72 metres north of Bloor Street West and Glenlake Avenue, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday, and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Sunday
- Maximum 15-minute parking, between a point 51 metres north of Bloor Street West and a point 21 metres further north from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday

Proposed Changes

Prohibiting stopping on the west side of High Park Avenue, in the vicinity of High Park Subway Station, will address concerns with parked vehicles impeding turning TTC buses. This will also prevent TTC buses from passing through the northbound lane while making the right turn to continue southbound onto High Park Avenue. In addition, this proposed parking regulation amendment will prevent motorists from dropping-off/picking-up passengers in front of the driveway.

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 - High Park Avenue

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