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REPORT FOR ACTION

Accessible Parking Space - Lansdowne Avenue (Non-Delegated)

Date: April 1, 2022

To: Toronto and East York Community Council

From: Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 9, Davenport

SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval for the installation of an on-street accessible parking space on the west side of Lansdowne Avenue.

During the course of the investigation, it was noted that there is a discrepancy between posted signs and the by-law. Recommendation 2 will correct the inconsistency.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

- 1. City Council designate an on-street accessible parking space on the west side of Lansdowne Avenue, between a point 180.7 metres north of Whytock Avenue and a point 5.5 metres further north.
- 2. City Council amend the existing maximum one-hour parking regulation in effect on both sides of Lansdowne Avenue, between College Street and Whytock Avenue to be in effect on the west side.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed installation of the accessible parking space is approximately \$400.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2022 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services provides designated on-street accessible parking as a convenience for people with disabilities and/or those who transport them, making it easier for them to find available parking as near as possible to their places of residence or intended destinations and reducing the distances that the disabled people must walk.

Designated on-street accessible parking spaces are not for the exclusive use of any one resident. Any person with a valid Accessible Parking Permit issued by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario (MTO) may park in any designated on-street accessible parking space. Designated on-street accessible parking spaces may be relocated for technical or operational reasons, if deemed necessary by the City.

Delays in installing on-street accessible parking spaces may create hardships for the applicants. Timely removal of a designated on-street accessible parking space when it is no longer needed, for instance when the resident moves or is no longer eligible, aids in maximizing available on-street parking for other residents/motorists.

Lansdowne Avenue, between Bloor Street West and College Street, is a two lane north-south minor arterial roadway which operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of approximately 11.6 metres. Sidewalks are located on both sides of the street. The posted speed limit on this section of Lansdowne Avenue is 40 km/h. Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) service is provided by 47 bus route.

The parking regulations on Lansdowne Avenue, between Bloor Street West and College Street are as follows:

East side

No parking anytime

West side

- Permit parking from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily
- Maximum one-hour parking regulation between College Street and Whytock Avenue
- Maximum three-hour parking regulation between Whytock Avenue and Bloor Street West

To be eligible for on-street accessible parking, applicants must hold a valid Accessible Parking Permit, issued by the MTO. Staff have determined that the installation of the accessible parking space is feasible as the requirements are met and the designated space will not result in the loss of more than one on-street parking space for general use.

The Ward Councillor has been advised of the recommendation in this report.

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