

Parking Amendments - Colonel Samuel Smith Park Drive

Date: June 1, 2023

To: Etobicoke York Community Council

From: Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 3- Etobicoke-Lakeshore

SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is recommending that the existing parking prohibition on the west side of Colonel Samuel Smith Park Drive, between Lake Shore Boulevard West and a point 49 metres south, be changed to a stopping prohibition. The proposed amendment will deter parking at this location and will improve transit operations and vehicle movements by maintaining a clear passage for vehicles.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on west side of Colonel Samuel Smith Park Drive, between Lake Shore Boulevard West and a point 49 metres south thereof.
2. City Council prohibit stopping at all times on the west side of Colonel Samuel Smith Park Drive, between Lake Shore Boulevard West and a point 49 metres south.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed amendments are approximately \$500.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2023 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

The Ward Councillor, on behalf of staff at The Holy Trinity Elementary School and area residents, requested that stopping be prohibited at all times on the west side of Colonel Samuel Smith Park Drive, between Lake Shore Boulevard West and a point 49 metres south, in order to mitigate vehicles parking in this area, impeding vehicles near the intersection of Colonel Samuel Smith Park Drive and Lake Shore Boulevard West.

Existing Conditions

Colonel Samuel Smith Park Drive is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two-lane, north-south roadway
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of approximately 11.5 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 3,500 vehicles
- The speed limit is 40 km/h
- Heavy trucks are prohibited at all times
- There is TTC service provided by the 44 Kipling South bus
- There are sidewalks located on both sides
- Humber College, Father John Redmond Secondary School and The Holy Trinity Elementary School are located on Colonel Samuel Smith Park Drive south of Lake Shore Boulevard West
- Designated as a Community Safety Zone south of Lake Shore Boulevard

The parking regulations on Colonel Samuel Smith Park Drive, within the subject section are as follows:

East side

- No parking anytime, between Lake Shore Boulevard and the south limit of the road

West side

- No parking anytime, between Lake Shore Boulevard and a point 49 metres south
- Parking for a maximum of 10 minutes, 7:00a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, between a point 49 metres south of Lake Shore Boulevard West and a point 190 metres further south.

Proposed Changes

The existing parking prohibition on the west side of Colonel Samuel Smith Park Drive, between Lake Shore Boulevard West and a point 49 metres south, legally allows vehicles to drop-off and pick-up students near The Holy Trinity School. These parked vehicles can increase congestion near the intersection of Colonel Samuel Smith Park Drive and Lake Shore Boulevard and can disrupt southbound traffic, including TTC vehicles. The proposed regulation would mitigate parking in this area, reduce congestion and improve safety for all road users without the loss of any parking spaces.

A map of the area and proposed parking amendment is included in Attachment 1.

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

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map - Parking Amendments - Colonel Samuel Smith Park Drive

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