

U-Turn and Parking Amendments - Chartland Boulevard South

Date: February 7, 2023

To: Scarborough Community Council

From: Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 23, Scarborough North

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 on the south side of Chartland Boulevard South, in front of Iroquois Junior Public School, be enhanced with a no standing prohibition east and west of the existing school bus loading zone, amending the duration time of the existing no stopping prohibition on the north side of Chartland Boulevard South and prohibit U-turn movements in the vicinity of this school zone. The proposed recommendations will improve the safe movement of the large number of school buses and further facilitate a safe student pick-up and drop-off activities of school children in front of this school zone.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. Scarborough Community Council rescind the existing stopping prohibition in effect from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Chartland Boulevard South, between a point 59 metres south of Hartleywood Drive and a point 160 metres southwest of Briarscross Boulevard.
2. Scarborough Community Council prohibit stopping to be in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Chartland Boulevard South, between Briarscross Boulevard and a point 88 metres northeast, and between Briarscross Boulevard and a point 173 metres southwest.

3. Scarborough Community Council prohibit standing to be in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Chartland Boulevard South, between Dibgate Boulevard and a point 66 metres northeast, and between a point 122 metres northeast of Dibgate Boulevard and a point 15 metres further northeast.
4. Scarborough Community Council prohibit eastbound and westbound U-turn movements at all times on Chartland Boulevard South, between Dibgate Boulevard and Hartleywood Drive.
5. Scarborough Community Council amend the existing school bus loading zone designation in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., on the south side of Chartland Boulevard South to be in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 pm., Monday to Friday.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed amendments are approximately \$5,000.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2023 Interim Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services has reviewed a request by the Principal of Iroquois Junior Public School for parking amendments on Chartland Boulevard South in front of Iroquois Junior Public School, in order to ensure that parked vehicles do not impede with the large number of school buses (13 buses) that use the school bus loading zone for safe student pick-up and drop-off activities. In addition, provide a no standing zone for parents to do quick pick-up and drop-off area east and west of the existing school bus loading zone and add a U-turn prohibition in the vicinity of this school zone.

Existing Conditions

Chartland Boulevard South 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 9.8 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 2,600 vehicles
- The speed limit is 40 km/h
- Heavy trucks are prohibited at all times

- There is no Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) service provided
- There are sidewalks located on both sides of the street
- This is a designated signed Community Safety Zone

The current parking regulations on Chartland Boulevard South in front of Iroquois Junior Public School, are as follows:

North side

- No stopping prohibition in effect from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Chartland Boulevard South, between a point 59 metres south of Hartleywood Drive and a point 160 metres southwest of Briarscross Boulevard
- Statutory maximum three hours parking at all other times

South side

- School bus loading zone in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Chartland Boulevard South, between a point 66 metres northeast of Dibgate Boulevard and a point 56 metres further northeast
- Statutory maximum three hours parking at all other times

Proposed Changes

- This school zone on Chartland Boulevard South, between Dibgate Boulevard and Hartleywood Drive, was recently designated as a Community Safety Zone
- Future installation of school safety zone complete with signage, flashing beacons, radar speed display signs (also referred to as driver feedback signs), "SCHOOL" and speed limit stencils painted on the roadway and zebra crossings at all controlled intersections is scheduled for 2023.
- Prohibiting U-turns on Chartland Boulevard South, between Dibgate Boulevard and Hartleywood Drive is recommended by staff to further improve the overall safety for all road users by minimizing vehicular conflicts.
- The addition of no standing adjacent to the school bus loading zone and vicinity, will improve the safe movement of the large number of school buses (13 buses), and further facilitate safe student pick-up and drop-off activities of by parents in front of this school zone.

A map of the area and proposed regulatory 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 - U-Turn and Parking Amendments - Chartland Boulevard South

