

Accessible Loading Zone – Chester Avenue

Date: February 6, 2023

To: Toronto and East York Community Council

From: Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 14, Danforth

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that Community Council has delegated authority to make a final decision.

Transportation Services is requesting approval to remove a designated on-street accessible loading zone on the east side of Chester Avenue, between Browning Avenue and Danforth Avenue.

During the course of the investigation, it was noted that there is a discrepancy between posted signs and the existing parking regulations. Recommendation 2 will correct this inconsistency.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing on-street accessible loading zone in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the east side of Chester Avenue, between a point 56.5 metres south of Browning Avenue and a point 10 metres further south.
2. Toronto and East York Community Council authorize parking for a maximum period of one hour from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the east side of Chester Avenue, between a point 92 metres north of Danforth Avenue and Browning Avenue.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage cost associated with the proposed removal of the accessible loading zone is approximately \$250.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2023 Interim Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

City Council at its meeting on April 14, 15 and 16, 2003, authorized the installation of an accessible loading zone, on the east side of Chester Avenue, south of Browning Avenue. The City Council decision can be found at:

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/2003/agendas/council/cc030414/to4rpt/cl051.pdf>

COMMENTS

Transportation Services received a request from a resident on Chester Avenue to remove the existing accessible loading zone fronting their property, between Browning Avenue and Danforth Avenue, as the space is no longer required.

Existing Conditions

Chester Avenue, between Browning Avenue and Danforth Avenue, is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a one-lane north-south local roadway
- It operates one-way northbound traffic on a pavement width of approximately 7.3 metres
- The speed limit is 30 km/h
- There is no Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) service provided on the street
- There are sidewalks located on both sides of the street
- Heavy vehicles are prohibited at all times

The parking regulations on Chester Avenue, between Browning Avenue and Danforth Avenue, are as follows:

East side

- Permit parking from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily
- Maximum one-hour parking, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday
- Maximum three-hour statutory parking at all other times

West side

- No parking anytime

Proposed Changes

The location of the on-street accessible loading zone is on the east side of Chester Avenue, between a point 56.5 metres south of Browning Avenue and a point 10 metres further south. The removal of the accessible loading zone will generate approximately two additional on-street parking spaces on this section of Chester Avenue.

A map of the area and existing accessible loading zone 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 – Removal of Accessible Loading Zone – Chester Avenue

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