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REPORT FOR ACTION

Parking Amendments - Roxborough Street West

Date: August 30, 2023
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 11, University-Rosedale

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 one-hour parking on the north side of Roxborough Street West, between Avenue Road and a point 43.3 metres further east, be changed to a passenger loading zone during the daytime periods. The proposed amendment will improve passenger pick-up/drop-off for the Hare Krishna Temple located at 243 Avenue Road at the north east corner of Avenue Road and Roxborough Street West and will have minimal impact on local traffic and parking operations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing maximum one-hour parking regulation in effect from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., on the north side of Roxborough Street West, between Avenue Road and Yonge Street.

2. Toronto and East York Community Council authorize parking for a maximum period of one-hour from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily, on the north side of Roxborough Street West, between a point 43.3 metres east of Avenue Road and a point 27 metres east of Molson Street.

3. Toronto and East York Community Council authorize parking for a maximum period of one-hour from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily, on the north side of Roxborough Street West, between a point 44 metres east of Molson Street and a point 33 metres west of Yonge Street.

4. Toronto and East York Community Council designate a passenger loading zone to operate from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., on the north side of Roxborough Street West between a point 30.5 metres east of Avenue Road and a point 12.8 metres further east.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed amendments are approximately \$1,000.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2023 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

The Hare Krishna Temple is located at 243 Avenue Road, at the north east corner of Avenue Road and Roxborough Street West, with main entrances fronting on Roxborough Street West. The Ward Councillor, on behalf of the Hare Krishna Temple, expressed concerns regarding the lack of adequate space for passenger pick-up/drop-off and delivery in front of the temple. At a meeting with City staff, the Hare Krishna Temple requested Transportation Services to review the feasibility of reducing the length of the existing bollard median at Roxborough Street West, east of Avenue Road, or alternatively introducing a new passenger loading zone, in order to improve access to the Temple.

Reducing the length of the median would require reducing the length of the existing nostopping zone. The current 30.5 metres stopping prohibition is required to protect the sightlines for pedestrians and overall safety and flow at the intersection. As such, the length of the no-stopping zone and the median would remain unchanged.

Existing Conditions

Roxborough Street West is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two-lane, east-west local roadway
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of approximately 10.1 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 3,000 vehicles
- The speed limit is 30 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

- The Hare Krishna Temple is located at the north east corner of Roxborough Street West and Avenue Road
- There is a bollard median on Roxborough Street West, east of Avenue Road, to deter motor vehicles from making the prohibited westbound left turn onto Avenue Road

The parking regulations on the north side of Roxborough Street West, in front of the Hare Krishna Temple at 243 Avenue Road are as follows:

- No stopping anytime, between Avenue Road and a point 30.5 metres east
- Maximum one-hour parking from 10:00 a.m.to 6:00 p.m., daily
- Permit parking from 12:01 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., daily
- Maximum three-hour statutory parking at all other times

Proposed Changes

The installation of the proposed passenger loading zone will remove approximately one on-street parking space from within the above noted segment of Roxborough Street West, in front of the Hare Krishna Temple. As such, this installation will have minimal impact on the public right-of-way and local traffic and parking operations. Under this regulation one can legally pick-up/drop-off passengers only. Parking will not be allowed in this area.

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 - Roxborough Street West



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