

Parking Amendments – Melville Avenue, between Shaw Street and Christie Street

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 affixing parking to the south side of Melville Avenue, between Shaw Street and Christie Street, in place of the existing alternate side parking arrangement.

Transportation Services submitted a report to the Toronto and East York Community Council on September 16, 2020, in response to former Councillor's request that the City discontinue the alternate-side parking arrangement on Melville Avenue, between Shaw Street and Christie Street. However, Toronto and East York Community Council deferred consideration of this item pending further consultation with residents. The Ward Councillor has further consulted residents and collected a petition that confirms the desire from residents to discontinue the alternate-side parking arrangement on this section of Melville Avenue.

RECOMMENDATION

The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services, recommends that:

1. Toronto and East York Community Council authorize the amendments to parking regulations on Melville Avenue, between Shaw Street and Christie Street, as described in "Appendix A" of this report.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed amendments are approximately \$2,450.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2023 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting on July 16, 2020, Toronto and East York Community Council adopted, as amended, item TE16.49, entitled "Request for Changes to Parking Regulatory in Ward 11" and, in so doing, requested that Transportation Services report back to the September 15, 2020 meeting on the feasibility of removing alternate side parking on Melville, between Shaw Street and Christie Street. The Council decision can be found at:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2020.TE16.49>

A staff report from Transportation Services (Item TE18.58) was submitted to the Toronto and East York Community Council on September 16, 2020, recommending affixing parking to the south side of Melville Avenue, in place of the existing alternate side parking condition. The consideration of the item be deferred until the October 15, 2020 Toronto and East York Community Council meeting. The Council decisions can be found at:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2020.TE18.58>

This item was considered by Toronto and East York Community Council on October 15, 2020. The consideration of the item be deferred until the November 10, 2020 meeting. The Council decision can be found at:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2020.TE19.33>

This item was considered by Toronto and East York Community Council on November 10, 2020. The consideration of the item be deferred until the January, 2021 meeting. The Council decision can be found at:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2020.TE20.32>

This item was considered by Toronto and East York Community Council on January 12, 2021. The consideration of the item be deferred until the April 21, 2021 meeting. The Council decision can be found at:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2021.TE22.17>

This item was considered by Toronto and East York Community Council on April 21, 2021. The consideration of the item be deferred until the September 9, 2021 meeting. The Council decision can be found at:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2021.TE24.57>

COMMENTS

Melville Avenue is a local road that operates one way eastbound. It has a regulatory speed limit of 30 km/h. The pavement width on Melville Avenue is about 6 metres and there are sidewalks provided on both sides of the road. Heavy vehicles are prohibited at all times. There is no Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) service provided on Melville Avenue.

Alternate-side parking is currently in effect on Melville Avenue, between Shaw Street and Christie Street as follows:

North side

- No parking from December 1st of one year to March 31st of the next following year, inclusive
- No parking from 1st day to the 15th day of each month, from April 1st to November 30th, inclusive
- Permit parking from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.
- One-hour maximum parking from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., from 16th day to the last day of each month, from April 1st to November 30th, inclusive, between a point 28 metres west of Christie Street and Shaw Street
- One-hour maximum parking from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday and from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday; and 15-minutes maximum parking from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, from 16th day to the last day of each month, from April 1st to November 30th, inclusive, between a point 17 metres west of Christie Street and a point 11 metres further west
- No standing from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, from December 1st of one year to March 31st of the following year, inclusive and from 1st day to the 15th day of each month, from April 1st to November 30th, inclusive, between a point 17 metres west of Christie Street and a point 11 metres further west.

South side

- No parking from 16th day to the last day of each month, from April 1st to November 30th, inclusive,
- One-hour maximum parking from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily, from December 1st of one year to March 31st of the following year, inclusive and from 1st day to the 15th day of each month from April 1st to November 30th, inclusive, between a point 28 metres west of Christie Street and Shaw Street,

- One-hour maximum parking from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday and from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday and 15-minutes maximum parking from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, from December 1st of one year to March 31st of the following year, inclusive and from 1st day to the 15th day of each month, from April 1st to November 30th, inclusive, between a point 17 metres west of Christie Street and a point 11 metres further west.
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Transportation Services conducted a parking study on Melville Avenue, between Shaw Street and Christie Street, and determined the following:

- On the north side there is a total of approximately 53 on-street parking spaces (this figure also corresponds with Permit Parking data).
- On the south side there is a total of approximately 65 on-street parking spaces

The impact of discontinuing alternate-side parking and affixing parking to one side of the road will likely result in the reduction of City street-sweeping services. Alternate-side parking allows clear access for vehicular street sweepers to opposite curbs, in Melville Avenue's case, on a bi-monthly basis. Affixing parking to one side will result in vehicles parking year round on the same side of Melville Avenue, making the curb inaccessible for street sweepers. Therefore, manual street sweeping operations would have to be undertaken on a less frequent basis.

Beyond the potential for a reduction of street-sweeping services, Transportation Services has no objections to replacing the existing alternate-side parking with parking on the south side only on Melville Avenue, between Shaw Street and Christie Street. This parking amendment will generate approximately 12 additional on-street parking spaces on Melville Avenue.

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

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Proposed Amendments to Parking Regulations – Melville Avenue
Attachment 2: Map – Parking Amendments, between Shaw Street and Christie Street

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Appendix A: Proposed Amendments to Parking Regulations – Melville Avenue

Chapter 950, Schedule XIII: No Parking			
To be Rescinded			
Highway	Side	Between	Prohibited Times and/or Days
Melville Avenue	North	A point 15 metres west of Miles Place and 15 metres east of Miles Place	Anytime
Melville Avenue	North	Shaw Street and Christie Street	Anytime, from Dec. 1 of one year to Mar. 31 of the next following year, inclusive
Melville Avenue	North	Shaw Street and Christie Street	First day to the 15 th day of each month, from Apr. 1 to Nov. 30, inclusive
Melville Avenue	South	Shaw Street and Christie Street	16 th day to the last day of each month, from Apr. 1 to Nov. 30, inclusive
To be Enacted			
Highway	Side	Between	Prohibited Times and/or Days
Melville Avenue	North	Shaw Street and Christie Street	Anytime

Chapter 925, Schedule A: Permit Parking				
To be Rescinded				
Street	Side	Location	Period	Time
Melville Avenue	Even	From Christie Street to Shaw Street	All times	12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.
To be enacted				
Street	Side	Location	Period	Time
Melville Avenue	Odd	From Christie Street to Shaw Street	All times	12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.

Chapter 950, Schedule XV: Parking for Restricted Periods

To Be Rescinded

Highway	Side	Between	Times and/or Days	Max Period Permitted
Melville Avenue	North	Shaw Street and a point 28 metres west of Christie Street	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., from the 16 th day to the last day of each month, from Apr. 1 to Nov. 30, inclusive	1 hour
Melville Avenue	North	Christie Street and Shaw Street	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	1 hour
Melville Avenue	South	Shaw Street and a point 28 metres west of Christie Street	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., from Dec. 1 of one year to Mar. 31 of the following year, inclusive and from the 1 st day to the 15 th day of each month, from Apr. 1 to Nov. 30, inclusive	1 hour
Melville Avenue	North	A point 17 metres west of Christie Street and a point 11 metres further west	8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Mon. to Fri. from the 16 th day to the last day of each month, from Apr. 1 to Nov. 30, inclusive	15 minutes
Melville Avenue	South	A point 17 metres west of Christie Street and a point 11 metres further west	8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Mon. to Fri., from Dec. 1 of one year to Mar. 31 of the next following year, inclusive and from the 1 st day to the 15 th day of each month, from Apr. 1 to Nov. 30, inclusive	15 minutes
Melville Avenue	North	A point 17 metres west of Christie Street and a point 11 metres further west	4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Mon. to Fri. and 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Sat. and Sun., from the 16 th day to the last day of each month, from Apr. 1 to Nov. 30, inclusive	1 hour
Melville Avenue	South	A point 17 metres west of Christie Street and a point 11 metres further west	4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Mon. to Fri. and 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Sat. and Sun., from Dec. 1 of one year to Mar. 31 of the next following year, inclusive and from the 1 st day to the 15 th of each month, from Apr. 1 to Nov. 30, inclusive	1 hour

Chapter 950, Schedule XV: Parking for Restricted Periods

To Be Enacted

Highway	Side	Between	Times and/or Days	Max period permitted
Melville Avenue	South	A point 28 metres west of Christie Street and Shaw Street	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily	1 hour
Melville Avenue	South	A point 17 metres west of Christie Street and a point 11 metres further west	4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Mon. to Fri. and 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Sat. and Sun.	1 hour
Melville Avenue	South	A point 17 metres west of Christie Street and a point 11 metres further west	8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Mon. to Fri.	15 minutes

Chapter 950, Schedule XVI: No Standing

To Be Rescinded

Highway	Side	Between	Prohibited Times and/or Days
Melville Avenue	North	A point 17 metres west of Christie Street and a point 11 metres further west	7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Mon. to Fri., from Dec. 1 of one year to Mar. 31 of the next following year, inclusive, and from the 1 st day to the 15 th day of each month, from Apr. 1 to Nov. 30, inclusive
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