

Removal of On-Street Accessible Loading Zone – Ruskin Avenue

Date: September 29, 2023

To: Toronto and East York Community Council

From: Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 9, Davenport

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 the removal of an on-street accessible loading zone operating from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Ruskin Avenue, between a point 36.8 metres west of Franklin Avenue and a point 11 metres further west.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing on-street accessible loading zone, operating from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Ruskin Avenue, between a point 36.8 metres west of Franklin Avenue and a point 11 metres further west.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage cost associated with the proposed removal of the accessible loading zone is approximately \$800.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2023 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

City Council at its meeting of June 14, 2016, adopted Item TE17.67 designating an accessible loading zone, in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Ruskin Avenue, between a point 36.8 metres west of Franklin Avenue and a point 11 metres further west.

[Agenda Item History - 2016.TE17.67 \(toronto.ca\)](#)

COMMENTS

Transportation Services is recommending removal of the accessible loading zone on the north side of Ruskin Avenue, between a point 36.8 metres west of Franklin Avenue and a point 11 metres further west, as the accessible loading zone is no longer needed by the original applicant.

Existing Conditions

Ruskin Avenue is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a one-lane, two-way east-west, local roadway
- It operates on a pavement width of approximately 7.3 metres
- There are sidewalks located on both sides of the street
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 400 vehicles
- The posted speed limit is 30 km/h
- The roadway is designated a Community Safety Zone, between Edwin Avenue and Perth Avenue
- There are no designated cycling facilities
- There is no Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) service provided

The current parking regulations on Ruskin Avenue, between Franklin Avenue and Edwin Avenue, are as follows:

North side

- Permit parking from 12:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., daily, from Franklin Avenue to Perth Avenue
- No parking, anytime, from Edwin Avenue to a point 47.8 metres west of Franklin Avenue
- No parking from a point 36.8 metres west of Franklin Avenue and a point 11 metres further west from 6:00 p.m. of one day to 8:00 a.m. of the next following day, Monday to Friday
- No parking, anytime, from Franklin Avenue and a point 36.8 metres west
- No parking from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily, from Franklin Avenue to Perth Avenue

- School bus loading zone from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, from a point 38 metres east of Franklin Avenue and a point 24 metres further east
- Maximum one-hour from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Saturday, between the southwest end of Ruskin Avenue and Edwin Avenue
- Three-hour statutory at other times (unsigned statutory)

South side

- Permit parking from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily, from Perth Avenue and the west end of Ruskin Avenue
- Maximum one-hour parking from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, and 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Saturday, from Perth Avenue and the southwest end of Ruskin Avenue
- Maximum three-hour statutory parking at all other times

The removal of the accessible loading zone will create two additional on-street parking spaces within the above-noted segment of Ruskin Avenue.

A map of the area and existing accessible loading zone 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 – Removal of On-Street Accessible Loading Zone – Ruskin Avenue

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