

Parking Amendments - Bedford Park Avenue

Date: September 6, 2024

To: North York Community Council

From: Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 8 - Eglinton Lawrence

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 a 10-minute maximum parking limit, in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Bedford Park Avenue, between a point 142 metres west of Yonge Street and a point 20 metres further west. Currently there is a one-hour maximum parking limit, in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, in this area. The proposed change will provide four short-term parking spaces for parents/guardians to accompany students to/from Blessed Sacrament Catholic School.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. North York Community Council amend the existing one-hour maximum parking regulation, in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Bedford Park Avenue, between Jedburgh Road and a point 142 metres west of Yonge Street, to be in effect between Jedburgh Road and a point 162 metres west of Yonge Street.
2. North York Community Council authorize parking for a maximum period of 10 minutes, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Bedford Park Avenue, between a point 142 metres west of Yonge Street and a point 20 metres further west.
3. North York Community Council authorize parking for a maximum period of one hour, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Bedford Park Avenue, between a point 142 metres west of Yonge Street and a point 20 metres further west.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed amendments are approximately \$1,000. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2024 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

The Ward Councillor, on behalf of Blessed Sacrament Catholic School, requested a short-term parking area on Bedford Park Avenue for parents/guardians to accompany students to/from the school.

Existing Conditions

Bedford Park Avenue is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two-lane, east/west local roadway
- It operates two-way on a pavement width of approximately 8.5 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 850 vehicles
- The speed limit is 30 km/h
- Heavy trucks are permitted at all times
- There is no TTC service provided
- There are sidewalks on both sides of the street
- Blessed Sacrament Catholic School is an elementary school located on the north side of the street
- There is a pedestrian crossover (PXO) located in front of the school

The parking regulations on the subject section of Bedford Park Avenue are as follows:

North side

- No Parking anytime
- School Bus Loading Zone, between a point 43 metres west of Yonge and 60.5 metres further west, and between a point 123 metres west of Yonge Street and 42 metres further west

South side

- No stopping, 8:00 to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, between a point 45 metres west of Yonge Street and a point 97 metres further west
- Maximum one-hour parking from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, between a point 142 metres west of Yonge Street and Jedburgh Road.
- Permit parking from 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily

Proposed Changes

The existing one-hour maximum parking limit area on the south side of Bedford Park Avenue is often fully occupied by visitors to nearby Yonge Street. As a result, parents/guardians that need to accompany students to/from the school have difficulty finding parking. The proposed 20 metre long, ten-minute maximum parking limit area would promote faster parking turnover.

Overnight parking permit holders would be exempt from the proposed 10-minute maximum parking limit. There are currently 10 parking permits issued for 38 spaces on Bedford Park Avenue.

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 - Bedford Park Avenue

