

## **U-Turn Prohibition - Ionview Road**

**Date:** May 20, 2025

**To:** Scarborough Community Council

**From:** Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

**Wards:** Ward 21, Scarborough Centre

### **SUMMARY**

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

Transportation Services recommends a U-turn prohibition on Ionview Road, between Yorkshire Road and Bertrand Avenue. Prohibiting U-turns will provide a safer environment for all road users along this section of Ionview Road, located adjacent to Ionview Public School.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. Scarborough Community Council prohibit northbound and southbound U-turn movements at all times on Ionview Road, between Yorkshire Road and Bertrand Avenue.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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The estimated cost of installing the signs is approximately \$1,500.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2025 Operating Budget.

### **DECISION HISTORY**

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This report addresses a new initiative.

## COMMENTS

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Transportation Services was requested by the School Travel Planner with Green Communities Canada, on behalf of Ionview Public School, to prohibit northbound and southbound U-turn movements fronting Ionview Public School.

### Existing Conditions

Ionview Road, between Yorkshire Road and Bertrand Avenue, is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two-lane, north-south, local roadway
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of approximately 8 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 1,000 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

This section of Ionview Road is located within a designated Community Safety Zone. The land use in the area consists of detached residential dwellings, Ionview Park, St. Thomas Syro-Malabar Catholic Forane Church and Ionview Public School.

A map of the area is included in Attachment 1.

### Proposed Turn Prohibition

Ionview Public School utilizes the subject section of Ionview Road for student pick-ups and drop-offs. During a site investigation carried out on April 9, 2025, Transportation Services observed 27 vehicles during the school pick-up time performing a three-point turn manoeuvre on Ionview Road, between Yorkshire Road and Bertrand Avenue. This behaviour disrupts traffic operations on this section of the road and poses a potential safety hazard for pedestrians crossing Ionview Road. Prohibiting U-turns for northbound and southbound traffic in this section of Ionview Road will enhance safety for all road users by reducing the risk of vehicle collisions, maintaining clear sightlines for the drivers and enabling enforcement by the Toronto Police Service.

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

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Attachment 1: Map - Proposed U-Turn Prohibition - Ionview Road, between Yorkshire Road and Bertrand Avenue

Attachment 1: Map - Proposed U-Turn Prohibition - Ionview Road, between Yorkshire Road and Bertrand Avenue

