

## **Parking and Traffic Amendments - Dockside Drive**

**Date:** April 11, 2025

**To:** Toronto and East York Community Council

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

**Wards:** Ward 10, Spadina-Fort York

### **SUMMARY**

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As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a transit service on Dockside Drive, City Council approval of this report is required.

Transportation Services is requesting approval to amend the existing parking regulations on Dockside Drive, between the east and west intersections with Queens Quay East. The proposed changes will facilitate parking and traffic operations related to the development at, and in the vicinity of, 185 Queens Quay East. The development is a facility that will accommodate an academic learning, research, and community space, including a daycare, at the George Brown College (GBC) Waterfront Campus.

In addition to the parking changes, Transportation Services is also requesting approval for the following changes:

- a speed limit of 30 km/h on Dockside Drive
- a stop control for southbound Knapp Lane at Dockside Drive

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on the west side of Dockside Drive, between Queens Quay East (west intersection) and a point 51 metres south.
2. City Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on the south side of Dockside Drive, between a point 14 metres east of the north/south leg Dockside Drive and a point 18.5 metres further east.

3. City Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on the south side of Dockside Drive, between a point 97 metres east of the north/south leg of Dockside Drive and Knapp Lane.
4. City Council amend the existing standing prohibition in effect at all times on the west and south side of Dockside Drive, between a point 51 metres south of Queens Quay East and a point 14 metres east of the north-south portion of Dockside Drive, to be in effect from a point 51 metres south of Queens Quay East (west intersection) and a point 32.5 metres east of the north-south portion of Dockside Drive.
5. City Council prohibit stopping at all times on the west side of Dockside Drive, between Queens Quay East (west intersection) and a point 51 metres south.
6. City Council prohibit stopping at all times on south side of Dockside Drive, between a point 97 metres east of the north/south leg Dockside Drive and east end of Dockside Drive.
7. City Council prohibit standing at all times of the east side of Dockside Drive, between the west/east leg of Dockside Drive and Queens Quay East (east intersection).
8. City Council prohibit stopping at all times on the north side of Dockside Drive, between Knapp Lane and a point 11 metres east.
9. City Council authorize parking for a maximum period of 15-minutes from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of Dockside Drive, between a point 11 metres east of Knapp Lane and a point 27 metres further east.
10. City Council prohibit stopping in effect from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 a.m. of the next following day, Monday to Friday and at all times Saturday and Sunday, on the north side of Dockside Drive, between a point 11 metres east of Knapp Lane and a point 27 metres further east.
11. City Council prohibit stopping at all times on the north and west side of Dockside Drive, between a point 38 metres east of Knapp Lane and Queens Quay East (east intersection).
12. City Council authorize a compulsory stop control for southbound traffic on Knapp Lane and Dockside Drive.
13. City Council designate a 30 km/h speed limit on Dockside Drive, between Queens Quay East (east intersection) and Queens Quay East (west intersection).

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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The signage costs associated with the proposed amendments are approximately \$4,200.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2025 Operating Budget.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

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Toronto and East York Community Council, at its meeting on April 21, 2011, adopted Item TE6.41(Parking Regulations - Dockside Drive and Knapp Lane), approving the installation of parking regulations on Dockside Drive and Knapp Lane. The Toronto and East York Community Council decision can be found at:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2011.TE6.41>

## **COMMENTS**

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Transportation Services was requested by the Ward Councillor, on behalf of Waterfront Toronto, to amend the existing parking and traffic regulations on Dockside Drive, between Queens Quay East (east intersection) and Queens Quay East (west intersection), as part of the development at 185 Queens Quay East.

The development site at 185 Queens Quay East encompasses the entire block bounded by Knapp Lane, Dockside Drive, Queens Quay East and Dockside Drive (east leg). The development is a facility that will accommodate an academic learning, research, and community space, including a daycare, at the GBC Waterfront Campus.

### **Existing Conditions**

Dockside Drive is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two-lane, north-south and east-west roadway, which is pending classification, as it has not yet been assumed by the City of Toronto
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of approximately 8.8 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 940 vehicles
- There is a regulatory speed limit of 50 km/h
- There is TTC service provided by the 65 Parliament bus
- There are sidewalks located on both sides of the street

The parking regulations on Dockside Drive are as follows:

### **Outer Perimeter**

- No parking, anytime, between Queens Quay East and a point 51 metres south

- No standing, anytime, between a point 51 metres south of Queens Quay East and a point 14 metres east of the north-south portion of Dockside Drive
- No parking anytime, between a point 14 metres east of the north/south leg Dockside Drive and a point 18.5 metres further east  
Pay-and-display parking, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday, between a point 32.5 metres east of the north-south portion of Dockside Drive and a point 15 metres further east
- No standing, anytime, between a point 47.5 metres east of the north-south portion of Dockside Drive and a point 24 metres further east
- Pay-and-display parking, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday, and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday, between a point 71.5 metres east of the north-south portion of Dockside Drive and a point 25.5 metres further east
- No parking anytime, between a point 97 metres east of the north/south leg of Dockside Drive and Knapp Lane
- Maximum three-hour statutory parking at all other times, where permitted

### **Inner Perimeter**

- No stopping, anytime, between Queens Quay East (west intersection) and Knapp Lane

### **Proposed Changes**

In order to support the pick-up and drop-off activities for the learning facility and daycare located at 185 Queens Quay East, on-street parking spaces have been proposed along the north side of Dockside Drive, directly adjacent to the entrance of the development. These spaces are designed to provide convenient access for parents, guardians, and caregivers to pick-up or drop-off children at the daycare or attend to activities at the learning facility. Based on the recommendations and analysis provided by Waterfront Toronto, it has been determined that four pick-up and drop-off spaces will be sufficient to meet the operational needs of the daycare and learning facility, ensuring an efficient flow of traffic during peak times. The proposed spaces and additional parking amendments are intended to minimize congestion and facilitate easy access while maintaining safe and effective use of the surrounding area.

In addition to the parking changes, Transportation Services noted there are further traffic regulations that can be approved. All local roads in the City of Toronto operate with a 30 km/h speed limit. Although the road classification on Dockside Drive is still pending, it is likely that it will be designated as a local roadway. Accordingly, given the pending classification, as well as the presence of horizontal curves necessitating a lowered operating speed, a 30 km/h speed limit is appropriate. Additionally, a stop sign has been installed on southbound Knapp Lane at Dockside Drive but has not been by-lawed. Recommendation 12 will correct this discrepancy.

A map of the area and proposed parking and traffic amendments is included in Attachment 1.

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

## **CONTACT**

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Attachment 1: Map - Parking and Traffic Amendments - Dockside Drive

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