

## **Entry Prohibition - Everden Road**

**Date:** April 11, 2025

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

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

**Wards:** Ward 12, Toronto-St. Paul's

### **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 is requesting approval to enact a northbound through traffic prohibition on Everden Road, 35 metres south of Eglinton Avenue West, immediately north of the Toronto Police Service 13 Division headquarters driveway. This prohibition will be in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday (Police Vehicles and Cyclists Excepted), replacing the existing signed mid-block restriction north from its current location. The proposed change will allow Toronto Police Service employees to access the station driveway from Everden Road.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit northbound through traffic on Everden Road, at a point 35 metres south of Eglinton Avenue West, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday, except public holidays (Police Vehicles and Cyclists Excepted).

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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The estimated cost of amending and relocating the signs is \$500.00. Funding is anticipated to be available within the Transportation Services 2025 Operating Budget.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

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City Council, at its meeting on July 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 30, 2018, adopted Item PW31.8 (Metrolinx Eglinton Crosstown LRT: Long-Term Road Closures and Traffic Regulation Amendments), rescinding the northbound mid-block entry prohibition on Everden Road. The City of Toronto Council decision can be found at:

[Agenda Item History - 2018.PW31.8](#)

Toronto and East York Community Council, at its meeting on January 16, 2016, adopted Item TE13.83 to re-open Item TE6.49 (Re-opening of Item TE6.49 - Traffic Amendments - Everden Road), reinstating the northbound mid-block entry prohibition and including a police vehicles exemption on Everden Road. The Toronto and East York Community Council decision can be found at:

[Agenda Item History - 2016.TE13.83](#)

Toronto and East York Community Council, at its meeting on May 12, 2015, adopted Item TE6.49 (Traffic Amendments - Everden Road), rescinding the existing northbound mid-block entry prohibition on Everden Road at a point 70 metres south of Eglinton Avenue West, in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday. The Toronto and East York Community Council decision can be found at:

[Agenda Item History - 2015.TE6.49](#)

## **COMMENTS**

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Transportation Services was requested by the Ward Councillor, on behalf of the Toronto Police Service, to amend the existing mid-block entry prohibition for northbound motorists on Everden Road, south of Eglinton Avenue West. The proposed changes will allow passage of Toronto Police Service employees travelling to their headquarter's entrance.

### **Existing Conditions**

Everden Road, between Eglinton Avenue West and Gloucester Grove, 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 8.5 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 880 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

The southern section of the street is generally residential, comprising single-family homes. On the north section of the street, Ben Nobleman Park is located on the east side and on the west side, the Toronto Police Service 13 Division headquarters is located. The Toronto Police Service have a driveway access approximately 40 metres south of Eglinton Avenue West.

A map of the area is included in Attachment 1.

### **Proposed Entry Prohibition**

A prohibition on northbound straight through traffic on Everden Road, at a point 70 metres south of Eglinton Avenue West, was in effect for many years, operating from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday. This restriction was originally enacted by the former City of York, prior to the City of Toronto's amalgamation in 1998. It is likely that this regulation was enacted with the many other traffic calming and management measures in the area to address non-local traffic infiltration in the Cedarvale neighbourhood. This restriction permits access to the residential properties on the southern portion of Everden Road but does not permit through traffic to continue north to Eglinton Avenue West.

This regulation was briefly rescinded in 2015 but it was re-instated in 2016. In 2016, a minor amendment was made to exempt police vehicles. The regulation was again rescinded in 2018 as part of the work being undertaken by Metrolinx for the traffic management associated with the construction of the Eglinton Crosstown Light Rail Transit project. Although the regulatory signage was subsequently reinstalled on Everden Road, the supporting by-law was never re-enacted when the construction work was completed in this area.

Transportation Services staff have been advised of concerns with Toronto Police Service vehicles using Everden Road to access the 13 Division headquarters driveway. Although marked police vehicles are exempt from the restriction, personal vehicles used by members of the Toronto Police Service are not exempt, as there is no way to distinguish them from other vehicles using the street.

Accordingly, Transportation Services recommends relocating the existing northbound straight through prohibition on Everden Road to a point north of the Toronto Police Service driveway. This signage and by-law will be in effect at a point 35 metres south of Eglinton Avenue West. The operating times of the prohibition of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday will not change. Police vehicles will continue to be exempted, and it is recommended that cyclists also be exempted. There should not be any impacts to adjacent streets as a result of this change.

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

## **CONTACT**

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Attachment 1: Map - Entry Prohibition - Everden Road

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