

U-turn Prohibition - Park Lawn Road

Date: June 18, 2026

To: Etobicoke York Community Council

From: Director, Enforcement and Street Management,

Wards: Ward 3 – Etobicoke-Lakeshore

SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval to prohibit northbound U-turn movements at all times on Park Lawn Road, between Park Lawn Gardiner Westbound On-ramp and The Queensway.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Enforcement and Street Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council prohibit northbound U-turn movements at all times on Park Lawn Road, between Park Lawn Gardiner Westbound On-ramp and The Queensway.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed amendments are approximately \$800.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2026 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services was requested by area residents, to prohibit U-turn movements on Park Lawn Road between The Gardiner Expressway Westbound On-ramp and The Queensway. Observations conducted by Transportation Services staff indicate that a

number of northbound motorists are completing U-turns on Park Lawn Road just north of the subject intersection, in an attempt to avoid the queue of vehicular traffic. In most instances, southbound motorists were required to yield to the U-turning vehicles, in order to avoid a collision. Considering our observations and the traffic volumes, these movements are not desirable in this area.

Existing Conditions

Park Lawn Road is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a five-lane, north-south arterial roadway, three lanes southbound and two lanes northbound
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of 20.5 metres
- The speed limit is 50 km/h
- Heavy trucks are permitted at all times
- There is TTC service provided by route 66
- There are sidewalks located on both sides of the street

Proposed Changes

Based on Transportation Services review of this matter, it is recommended that northbound U-turn movements be prohibited, at all times on Park Lawn Road, between The Gardiner Expressway Westbound On-ramp and The Queensway. The proposed prohibitions will enhance traffic operations and safety in the area.

A map of the area is shown on Attachment 1.

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

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ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1: Map - U-Turn Prohibition - Park Lawn Road

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