

Traffic Regulations - Guildwood Parkway

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To: Scarborough Community Council

From: Director, Enforcement and Street Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 24, Scarborough-Guildwood

SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is recommending the following traffic amendments on Guildwood Parkway in front of Sir Wilfrid Laurier Collegiate Institute:

- Prohibiting eastbound and westbound U-turn movements on Guildwood Parkway, fronting the school
- Prohibiting eastbound right turns and westbound left turns during school peak hours at Guildwood Parkway and the school's western driveway access

The proposed changes will improve the traffic flow and safety for all road users in front of the school.

These recommendations are being made in consultation with the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Collegiate Institute administration.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. City Council prohibit eastbound and westbound U-turn movements at all times on Guildwood Parkway, between Livingston Road and a point 100 metres east of Chancery Lane.

2. City Council prohibit eastbound right turns, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, at Guildwood Parkway and the driveway access at No. 145 Guildwood Parkway, located on the south side of Guildwood Parkway at a point 118 metres east of Livingston Road.

3. City Council prohibit westbound left turns, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, at Guildwood Parkway and the driveway access at no. 145 Guildwood Parkway, located on the south side of Guildwood Parkway at a point 118 metres east of Livingston Road.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage costs associated with the proposed amendments are approximately \$2,500.00. Funding is available within Transportation Services 2026 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services conducted a traffic safety review on Guildwood Parkway, between Livingston Road and Chancery Lane, on May 7, 2026, in collaboration with the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Collegiate Institute principal. During observations, two areas of concern were discussed and noted:

- A U-turn prohibition on Guildwood Parkway was proposed to ensure student safety when travelling to and from the school.
- A prohibition of the eastbound right turns and westbound left turns at the west driveway school access was determined to be necessary to maintain safe and efficient drop-off and peak-up operations on-site during school peak hours.

Existing Conditions

Guildwood Parkway, between Livingston Road and Chancery Lane, is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two-lane, east-west, minor arterial roadway
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of approximately 8.5 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 5,100 vehicles
- The speed limit is 40 km/h
- Heavy trucks are prohibited at all times
- There is TTC service provided by the 116 Morningside and 334 Eglinton bus routes
- There are sidewalks located on both sides of the street

The land use consists of single-family residential dwellings as well as Sir Wilfred Laurier Collegiate Institute and Guildwood Community Presbyterian Church. This subject section of Guildwood Parkway is within a designated Community Safety Zone.

A map of the area is included in Attachment 1.

Proposed Changes

A. U-Turn Prohibition

A site observation was conducted on May 7, 2026, during the morning drop-off time. It was observed that five vehicles performed a three-point turn manoeuvre on Guildwood Parkway in the vicinity of the school. This behaviour disrupts traffic operations on this section of the road and poses a potential safety hazard for pedestrians crossing Guildwood Parkway. Prohibiting U-turns for eastbound and westbound traffic on Guildwood Parkway, between Livingston Road and a point 100 metres east of Chancery Lane, 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.

B. Prohibition of Eastbound Right Turn and Westbound Left Turn Movements

Sir Wilfred Laurier Collegiate Institute has established designated drop-off and pick-up on-site procedures during school peak hours. Parents are expected to enter the school property via the eastern driveway, complete their drop-off or pick-up by travelling clockwise, and then exit using the western driveway. However, the site observations indicated that some parents are not adhering to these established operations. The eastbound right turns and westbound left turns into the school's western driveway cause traffic queuing and operational safety concerns.

Transportation Services does not have authority to enact regulations within the school's property. However, the proposed turn restrictions where the western driveway intersects Guildwood Parkway are feasible and can be enacted during the school's pick-up and drop-off times. The proposed turn restrictions will improve driver compliance by re-enforcing the desired circulation and enhance overall traffic safety in front of the school.

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

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map - Traffic Regulations – Guildwood Parkway

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