

Date: April 14, 2026

To: Toronto and East York Community Council

From: Mike Barnet, Director, Enforcement and Street Management

Re: Dufferin Park Avenue, Parking Amendments (Ward 9, Davenport)

Transportation Services has been requested by the Ward 9 Councillor to provide recommended wording for recommendations they plan to present to the April 30, 2026, Toronto and East York Community Council. Staff request that this memorandum accompany the Councillor's letter.

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

Summary

- X **Staff support the draft recommendations provided below**
- ☐ **Staff do not support the draft recommendations provided below**
- ☐ **Staff do not have sufficient data and/or time to determine if the draft recommendations provided below can be supported by staff, at this time**

Draft Recommendations

1. *Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the parking prohibition in effect at all times on the north side of Dufferin Park Avenue, between Dufferin Street and a point 48.8 metres further east.*
2. *Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the parking prohibition in effect at all times on the south side of Dufferin Park Avenue, between Dufferin Street and a point 30.5 metres further east.*
3. *Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit stopping at all times on the north side of Dufferin Park Avenue, between Dufferin Street and the east end.*
4. *Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit stopping at all times on the south side of Dufferin Park Avenue, between Dufferin Street and a point 15 metres east.*
5. *Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit stopping at all times on the south side of Dufferin Park Avenue, between a point 43 meters east of Dufferin Street and the east end.*

The Councillor's office, on behalf of Toronto Parks and Recreation, has requested Transportation Services review the feasibility of increasing the parking availability on Dufferin Park Avenue, east of Dufferin Street and west of Dufferin Grove Park. The additional parking would provide the public, as well as Toronto Parks and Recreation staff, a nearby parking area to access the Dufferin Grove Park Clubhouse, the Artificial Ice Rink building, and the Dufferin Grove Ice Rink. A site visit was conducted in February 2026.

Dufferin Park Avenue terminates in a dead-end approximately 55 metres east of Dufferin Street and serves a number of pedestrian generators, including St. Mary Catholic Academy, Dufferin Grove Park, and the Dufferin Mall. Parking is currently prohibited at all times on the north side of Dufferin Park Avenue (entire length), and on the south side, between Dufferin Street and a point 30.5 metres east. The remainder of the south side operates with three-hour time limit parking (unsigned, statutory). As this is a dead-end street, traffic volumes are relatively low.

Transportation Services identified an opportunity to reduce the statutory 30.5 metres corner parking prohibition on the south side from 30.5 metres to 15 metres. To ensure compliance, this can be upgraded to a stopping prohibition. This change will provide two additional on-street parking spaces.

Additionally, the assessment identified safety and operational concerns caused by vehicles parking on both sides of Dufferin Park Avenue, near the eastern end. This activity limits the visibility of pedestrians, cyclists, and oncoming motorists and impedes the two-way roadway operation. Accordingly, stopping can be prohibited at the street's dead-end, improving manoeuvring for snow removal and mechanical street cleaning, as well as commercial and emergency vehicles.

Financial Impact

Staff have not been able to develop engineering estimates for this work, but based on previous experience and similar work in the past, we expect the costs associated with approving the draft recommendations above will be approximately \$2,000.00. As this work was not anticipated, it has not been specifically included in any approved budgets. Completion of the work would be subject to availability and competing priorities within future Transportation Services Operating Budgets, unless a specific funding source is identified by the councillor and approved by Toronto and East York Community Council.

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