

## **Accessible Loading Zone - Baby Point Road**

**Date:** May 11, 2026

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

**From:** Director, Enforcement and Street Management, Transportation Services

**Wards:** Ward 4, Parkdale-High Park

### **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 for the installation of a designated on-street accessible loading zone on the south side of Baby Point Road, east of Brumell Avenue. The accessible loading zone will operate from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. The establishment of this accessible loading zone will provide unimpeded curbside access for the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) Wheel-Trans users in the subject area.

During the investigation, Transportation Services discovered a redundant traffic by-law. Recommendation 2 will rectify this inconsistency.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

1. Toronto and East York Community Council designate an accessible loading zone to be in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of Baby Point Road, between a point 9 metres east of Brumell Avenue and a point 11 metres further east.
2. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the heavy vehicle prohibition in effect at all times on Baby Point Road, between Baby Point Crescent and Jane Street.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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The signage costs associated with the proposed installation of the accessible loading zone is approximately \$500.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2026 Operating Budget.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

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This report addresses a new initiative.

## **COMMENTS**

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Transportation Services received a request from an accessible permit holder to investigate the feasibility of installing a designated on-street accessible loading zone on Baby Point Road, between Brumell Avenue and Thornhill Avenue. The accessible loading zone will allow curbside access for accessible vehicles equipped with a side or rear loading ramp (e.g., Wheel-Trans) and permit holders during pick-up/drop-off scenarios.

### **Existing Conditions**

This segment of Baby Point Road is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two-lane, east-west, collector roadway
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of 8.5 metres
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 3,500 vehicles
- The speed limit is 30 km/h
- Heavy trucks are prohibited at all times
- There is no TTC service provided
- There are sidewalks located on both sides of the street

The surrounding land use on Baby Point Road generally consists of detached residential dwellings. Furthermore, Humbercrest United Church and Toronto Kidz Summer Camp are located on the northwest corner of the Baby Point Road and Thornhill Avenue intersection.

The parking regulations on Baby Point Road, within the subject segment, are as follows:

#### **North side**

- No parking anytime, between Baby Point Crescent (east intersection) and Jane Street

## **South side**

- No parking anytime, between Thornhill Avenue and Jane Street
- Maximum three-hour statutory parking at all other times, where permitted, between Humbercrest Boulevard and Thornhill Avenue

Staff undertook a site investigation on March 19, 2026, at approximately 10:00 a.m. to determine the proposed on-street accessible loading zone location and verify the parking regulations.

## **Proposed Changes**

Transportation Services provides designated on-street accessible loading zones as a convenience for people with physical impairments, disabilities and/or for those who transport them, making it easier for them to locate a pick-up/drop-off space, as near as possible to their residence or intended destinations and reduce the distances that the person with the physical impairment or disability must walk.

An accessible loading zone is recommended on the south side of Baby Point Road, between Brumell Avenue and Thornhill Avenue. This accessible loading zone may be used by TTC Wheel-Trans or any vehicle displaying a valid "Accessible Parking Permit" while actively engaged in the pick-up or drop-off of a person with accessibility requirements. The accessible loading zone can also support visitors and patrons of Humbercrest United Church and Toronto Kidz Summer Camp.

The installation of the proposed accessible loading zone will remove two on-street parking spaces during the weekday daytime periods within the above-noted segment of Baby Point Road. As such, this installation will have a minimal impact on the public right-of-way and local traffic or parking operations.

A map of the proposed accessible loading zone is included in Attachment 1.

## **Housekeeping Issues**

Transportation Services also detected an inconsistency in the by-law related to the traffic regulations on Baby Point Road. There are overlapping entries for the existing heavy truck prohibition, one of these is redundant and can be rescinded. This inconsistency will be resolved with the approval of Recommendation 2 of this report.

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

## **CONTACT**

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENT**

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Attachment 1: Map - Proposed Accessible Loading Zone - Baby Point Road

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