

Date: May 26, 2026

To: Toronto and East York Community Council

From: Mike Barnet, Director, Enforcement and Street Management

Re: Traffic Calming and Parking Amendments – Gilbert Avenue, between
Kitchener Avenue and Eglinton Avenue West (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 May 28, 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

- ☐ Staff **support** the draft recommendations provided below
- ☐ Staff **do not support** the draft recommendations provided below
- X 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 authorize the installation of traffic calming (five speed humps) on Gilbert Avenue, between Kitchener Avenue and Eglinton Avenue West, generally as shown on the attached Drawings No's. TC-699 and TC-699-1, dated May 2026 from the Director, Enforcement and Street Management, Transportation Services.*
2. *Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the parking prohibition in effect at all times, on the east side of Gilbert Avenue, between a point 11 metres south of Corby Avenue and a point 5.5 metres north thereof.*
3. *Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the parking prohibition in effect at all times on the east side of Gilbert Avenue, between a point 88.5 metres south of Summit Avenue and a point 6 metres north thereof.*
4. *Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the parking prohibition in effect at all times on the west side of Gilbert Avenue, between a point 173.3 metres south of Rogers Road and Rogers Road.*

5. *Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the parking prohibition in effect at all times on the west side of Gilbert Avenue, between Norman Avenue and a point 124.9 metres north of Innes Avenue.*
6. *Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing heavy vehicle prohibition in effect at all times on Gilbert Avenue, between a point 173.3 metres south of Rogers Road and Summit Avenue.*
7. *Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing heavy vehicle prohibition in effect at all times on Gilbert Avenue, between Norman Avenue and a point 124.2 metres north of Innes Avenue.*
8. *Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit parking at all times on the west side of Gilbert Avenue, between Norman Avenue and Rogers Road.*
9. *Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit parking at all times on the east side of Gilbert Avenue, between a point 36 metres north of Innes Avenue and a point 10 metres further north.*
10. *Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit heavy vehicles at all times on Gilbert Avenue, between Norman Avenue and Rogers Road.*

At the request of the Ward Councillor, staff were asked to consider the feasibility of implementing traffic calming (speed humps) on Gilbert Avenue, between Kitchener Avenue and Eglinton Avenue West. The surrounding area experiences a high volume of foot traffic associated with nearby pedestrian generators, which include Bert Robinson Park, Eglinton - Gilbert Parkette, businesses on Eglinton Avenue West, and residential neighborhoods. It is reported that motorists are speeding on the subject street, and it is used as a cut through between Caledonia Road and Eglinton Avenue West. Speed humps are already installed on Gilbert Avenue, between Norman Avenue and Summit Avenue. Installing speed humps on the subject segment will provide traffic calming on the entirety of Gilbert Avenue.

As the Councillor has indicated they would like to forgo the study process, motorist speed and volume data were not collected, and staff have not evaluated the installation of traffic calming measures (speed humps) on the roadway. Staff conducted a site visit in April 2026 to map the proposed speed hump locations.

The road grade exceeds eight percent on the portion of Gilbert Avenue, south of Eglinton Avenue West. As per the City's traffic calming policy, it is not recommended to install speed humps on hills exceeding this grade as this may lead to the loss of vehicle control when slowing down, water accumulation creating puddles or slick ice, damage vehicle undercarriage when traveling over a steep, angled hump, and impact snow removal.

During the investigation, Transportation Services discovered discrepancies between the by-lawed parking and traffic regulations and the posted signage on Gilbert Avenue. Recommendations 2 to 10 will resolve these inconsistencies.

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, staff expect the costs associated with approving the draft recommendations above will be approximately \$20,000.00. 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 Capital Budgets, unless a specific funding source is identified by the Councillor and approved by Toronto and East York Community Council.

Contact

Dan Clement, CET, Manager Traffic Operations (Area 1), Transportation Services,
416-396-3226, Dan.Clement@toronto.ca