

Maximum Parking Restriction – Holly Street

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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter which Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services is requesting approval to designate a 15-minute maximum parking restriction on a section of the west side of Holly Street, fronting the Holly Street Endoscopy Clinic, located at Premises No. 40 Holly Street. This parking restriction would operate from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday and potentially provide short-term parking opportunity for persons escorting patients to/from appointments at the clinic.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Rescind the 'No Standing Anytime' regulation on the west side of Holly Street, from Soudan Avenue to Eglinton Avenue East.
2. Implement a "15-minute maximum parking, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday" regulation on the west side of Holly Street, from a point 78.5 metres north of Soudan Avenue to a point 30.5 metres further north.
3. Prohibit standing, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m., Monday to Friday and at anytime Saturday and Sunday, on the west side of Holly Street, from a point 78.5 metres north of Soudan Avenue to a point 30.5 metres further north.

4. Prohibit standing at anytime on the west side of Holly Street, from Soudan Avenue to a point 78.5 metres north and from a point 109 metres north of Soudan Avenue to Eglinton Avenue East.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The estimated cost of installing the signs necessary to identify the amended parking regulations is about \$500. These funds are available within the Transportation Services Division 2010 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services' staff at the request of Councillor Michael Walker, on behalf of the Holly Street Endoscopy Clinic, has investigated the feasibility of replacing a section of the existing "No Standing Anytime" regulation on the west side of Holly Street, fronting Premises No. 40, with a 15-minute maximum parking regulation. The intent is to provide an area of short-term parking for motorists escorting patients to and from the clinic.

COMMENTS

Road Characteristics

Holly Street, between Soudan Avenue and Eglinton Avenue East, operates two-way on a pavement width of 8.5 metres, with a maximum speed limit of 40 km/h. A "No Standing Anytime" regulation is in effect on both sides of Holly Street, from Soudan Avenue to Eglinton Avenue East. There is no TTC service on Holly Street.

Investigation

The existing "No Standing Anytime" regulation on the west side of Holly Street only allows motorists to stop momentarily while in the process of picking-up/dropping-off passengers. Representatives of the Holly Street Endoscopy Clinic have indicated that approximately 85% of their patients require sedation and for safety purposes, need to be picked-up from within the clinic by a family member or friend and driven home. As a means of providing some resolution to this parking issue Transportation Services recommends rescinding the existing "No Standing Anytime" regulation in front of No. 40 Holly Street during clinic hours. In place thereof, parking could be allowed for a maximum limit of 15 minutes. This will provide motorists with enough time to meet the sedated patients at the third floor clinic and escort them to their vehicles.

While implementation of this short-term parking area is feasible, Transportation Services emphasizes the following points.

- The five to six parking spaces that will be provided cannot be designated for exclusive use by persons dropping off or picking up patients at the Holly Street Endoscopy Clinic;

- Frequent enforcement of the 15-minute maximum parking regulation will be required to discourage parking in excess of the time limitation and to promote parking turnover; and
- If persons with accessibility/disability parking permits park in this area, they are exempt from the 15-minute maximum parking restriction.

Conclusion

The implementation of this 15-minute parking regulation is recommended to potentially provide daytime parking opportunity where all motorists, including those that may be dropping off and picking up patients at the Holly Street Endoscopy Clinic, may park for a short period of time.

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