

**Parking Prohibition – Jones Avenue**

<b>Date:</b>	April 22, 2009
<b>To:</b>	Toronto and East York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
<b>Wards:</b>	Toronto-Danforth, Ward 30
<b>Reference Number:</b>	Ts09074te.top.doc

**SUMMARY**

Transportation Services is seeking authority from City Council to prohibit parking adjacent to a private driveway ramp at Premises No. 418 Jones Avenue to enhance sight lines for drivers and cyclists at the driveway exit. The parking prohibition will not negatively impact TTC bus service, however, it will result in the loss of one on-street parking space.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Transportation Services recommends that City Council:**

1. Prohibit parking at all times on the west side of Jones Avenue from a point 215 metres north of Boulton Avenue to a point 9 metres further north.

**Financial Impact**

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division 2009 Operating Budget	\$400.00

**ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Councillor Paula Fletcher, on behalf of a resident at No. 418 Jones Avenue, has requested Transportation Services to investigate the feasibility of prohibiting on-street parking adjacent to a private driveway ramp at No. 418 in order to enhance sightlines for drivers and cyclists.

**COMMENTS**

Jones Avenue is a north/south minor arterial road operating two-way between Queen Street East and Danforth Avenue with one vehicle lane and one bicycle lane in each

direction. Premises No. 418 Jones Avenue is located on the west side of the street, north of Gerrard Street East, in the block between Boulton Avenue and Strathcona Avenue. In this block, parking is allowed for a maximum period of three hours outside of the hours of permit parking operation, between 12:01 a.m. and 7:00 a.m., daily. The TTC operates bus service along Jones Avenue.

In accordance with the general parking prohibitions contained in Chapter 400 of the Toronto Municipal Code, on-street parking is allowed within 0.6 metres of the mutual driveway ramp serving Premises Nos. 416 and 418. When a vehicle is parked in the first parking space north of the driveway ramp, sight lines are obstructed for motorists exiting the driveway. The driver must "inch-out" into the southbound bicycle lane to see southbound cyclists and vehicles, creating a hazardous situation.

A check of Toronto Police collision records for the three-year period ending February 28, 2009, did not reveal any reported collisions at the subject driveway location.

To improve sight lines and enhance safety at the driveway, it is feasible to prohibit parking on the west side of Jones Avenue from the driveway ramp to a point 9 metres north. The parking prohibition will, however, result in the loss of one on-street parking space. This section of Jones Avenue is located in Permit Parking Area 8B where as of April 8, 2009, 1923 permits have been issued against 2358 available parking spaces.

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(1) Drawing No. 421F-9631, dated April 2009

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