

16. COLOMBO STREET OVERBRIDGE NO STOPPING RESTRICTIONS

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The purpose of this report is to seek the Community Board's approval to implement some routine no-stopping restrictions on Colombo Street overbridge.

INTRODUCTION

When the Colombo Street bus-assisting configuration changes were made in 2000, some marking changes were made to the Colombo Street overbridge. The changes involved a green bus lane and new intersection lane configurations for north-bound traffic and a painted cycle lane southbound.

The original marking plans included the need to paint no-stopping lines on both sides of the overbridge carriageway. However, the approval to install the restriction was never sought and the markings were not installed.

Although there never appear to be any vehicles parked on the overbridge, an external safety audit noted the possibility that vehicles could legally park on the bridge and disrupt the smooth traffic and bus flows. The audit recommended that the no stopping restriction be installed. The City Streets Unit agrees with the audit, hence this report to seek the necessary authority to install no stopping lines.

As indicated, it appears that vehicles never park on the overbridge, hence this restriction will not remove any currently effective parking spaces.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Community Board approve no stopping restrictions on both sides of the Colombo Street overbridge.

Recommendation: That vehicles be prohibited from parking at all times as follows:

1. On the eastern side of Colombo Street, from a point commencing at the intersection with Moorhouse Avenue, extending southward for 130m to the intersection with Carlyle Street.
2. On the western side of Colombo Street, from a point commencing at the intersection with Cass Street, extending northward for 180m to the intersection with Moorhouse Avenue

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Recommendation: That the staff recommendation be adopted.