

NOTICE OF MOTION**Parking for Motorized Scooters and Motorcycles****Moved by: Councillor Ootes****Seconded by: Councillor De Baeremaeker**

“**WHEREAS** the City of Toronto should do all it can to encourage its residents to use environmentally-friendly modes of transportation, and not penalize them; and

WHEREAS Canada is committed to the Kyoto Protocol; and

WHEREAS Torontonians are being urged to do their part in the federal government’s One-Tonne Challenge (Canada to reduce its annual greenhouse gas emissions by one tonne); and

WHEREAS motorized scooters use up to 90 percent less gasoline than a regular car or truck, and motorcycles also use less fuel than four-wheeled vehicles; and

WHEREAS scooters and motorcycles are significantly smaller than other vehicles, and use far less road space, thus helping to reduce gridlock; and

WHEREAS scooter and motorcycle operators in Toronto currently experience significant parking problems because other motorists often steal their Pay and Display parking receipts; and

WHEREAS the theft of a scooter or motorcycle operator’s Pay and Display receipt often results in the scooter rider receiving a parking ticket; and

WHEREAS scooter and motorcycle operators regularly encounter problems when parked in parking lots, because other vehicles don’t see the cycles and scooters, and they can be knocked over or damaged; and

WHEREAS the above situations dissuade motorcycle and scooter operators from using their environmentally-friendly vehicles;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Toronto’s relevant parking by-laws be amended to allow scooter and motorcycle operators to park their vehicles free of charge, in existing, designated on-street parking spaces, without having to purchase Pay and Display tickets;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, given the small size of scooters, the City of Toronto amend the relevant right-of-way and parking by-laws to allow scooter operators to park their vehicles on sidewalks, so long as they are not obstructing pedestrian flow, similar to the way in which non-motorized bicycles are permitted to be parked on the sidewalks;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the President, Toronto Parking Authority, be requested to prepare a report that would detail how the Authority could designate a small area for free scooter and motorcycle parking at all of its indoor and outdoor ‘Green P’ lots;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the necessary provisions of Chapter 27 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code be waived to permit introduction and debate of this Notice of Motion at the meeting of Council to be held on September 28, 2005.”

September 28, 2005

According to Chapter 27 of the Municipal Code, the foregoing Notice of Motion:

Notice was previously given	
Meets Municipal Code provisions and only requires a simple majority to introduce and debate	
Requires two-thirds to waive notice	(√)
Requires two-thirds to re-open	
Fiscal Impact Statement provided	*
Should have Fiscal Impact Statement prior to debate	*
Requires two-thirds to waive requirement if Council wishes to debate	
Should be referred to the Policy and Finance Committee	(√)
Requires two-thirds to waive referral if Council wishes to debate	
Recommendations are time sensitive	

* Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer to advise.