



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### St. Clair Avenue West – Restore Parking Conditions

<b>Date:</b>	August 2, 2007
<b>To:</b>	Toronto and East York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
<b>Wards:</b>	St. Paul's, Ward 22
<b>Reference Number:</b>	Ts07169te.top.doc

#### SUMMARY

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Transportation Services has evaluated a request to restore previous parking regulations on the section of St. Clair Avenue West, between Spadina Road and Russell Hill Road. This would entail removing the pay-and-display machines that were recently installed in conjunction with the completion of the streetcar right-of-way through this area.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

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**Transportation Services recommends that, in order to restore parking conditions on St. Clair Avenue West, from Spadina Road to Russell Hill Road to those that existed prior to the recent completion of the streetcar right-of-way, City Council:**

1. rescind the pay-and-display parking regulations on the north side of St. Clair Avenue West, from a point 57 metres west of Russell Hill Road to a point 30.5 metres east of Spadina Road, that operate from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday; from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday; from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday; and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday;
2. rescind the pay-and-display parking regulations on the south side of St. Clair Avenue West, from a point 75 metres west of Russell Hill Road to a point 55 metres east of Spadina Road, that operate from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday; from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday; from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday; and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday; and
3. permit parking for a maximum period of two hours from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday and from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday;

- i. on the north side of St. Clair Avenue West, from a point 57 metres west of Russell Hill Road to a point 30.5 metres east of Spadina Road; and
- ii. on the south side of St. Clair Avenue West, from a point 75 metres west of Russell Hill Road to a point 55 metres east of Spadina Road.

## Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Toronto Transportation Services 2007 operating budget interim appropriations	\$1,500

## ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services has reviewed a request from Councillor Michael Walker to restore parking conditions on St. Clair Avenue West, both sides, from Spadina Road to Russell Hill Road, to those that existed prior to the recent completion of the streetcar right-of-way through this section. Pay-and-display parking was introduced on this section for the first time as authorized by City Council at its meeting of July 19, 20, 21 and 26, 2005.

## COMMENTS

St. Clair Avenue West, between Spadina Road and Russell Hill Road is an arterial roadway that operates with two lanes in each direction for general traffic, separated by an exclusive, raised TTC right-of-way. Stopping is prohibited in the curb lanes from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. During the off-peak periods parking is controlled by pay-and-display machines operating for a maximum period of two hours, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday; and from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., on Saturday. Pay parking is also permitted for a maximum period of three hours from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Sunday. Outside of these hours parking on the north and south sides of this section of St. Clair Avenue West is permitted at no cost for a maximum period of three hours. Prior to the completion of the streetcar work, pay-and-display parking was not in effect at this location.

The area in question is characterized by uses that do not generally necessitate a high parking turnover, such as an intense commercial strip. Councillor Walker has pointed out that people visiting the various institutions in the vicinity, including the seniors home, The Timothy Eaton Church and Sir Winston Churchill Park did not have to pay to park on this section of St. Clair Avenue West.

We have consulted with the Toronto Parking Authority on this matter. They indicate that although the spaces seem to be in high demand, it is too early to determine revenue implications of removing these machines.

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**ATTACHMENTS**

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