



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Wellington Street West, between Blue Jays Way and Windsor Street – hotel loading zone

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To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Trinity-Spadina, Ward 20
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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter which Community Council has been delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision. Transportation Services has evaluated a request from the Marriot Residence Inn (No. 255 Wellington Street West) to provide loading opportunities for hotel guests. The hotel has indicated that they support the designation of an on-street loading zone on the south side of Wellington Street West, fronting the hotel property.

This designation of an on-street loading zone on the south side of Wellington Street West will provide loading opportunities for hotel guests and will not adversely impact the traffic or pedestrian operations on Wellington Street West.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council approve:

1. rescind the existing “No Parking, Anytime” prohibition on the south side of Wellington Street West, between a point 38 metres east of Blue Jays Way and a point 60 metres west of Windsor Street;
2. enact a “No Parking, Anytime” prohibition on the south side of Wellington Street West, between Windsor Street and a point 33 metres west of Windsor Street;
3. amend the existing “No Standing, 6:30 p.m. to 12:00 midnight, Monday to Friday and 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m., Saturday, Sunday and public holidays, April 1 to

- November 30” prohibition on the south side of Wellington Street West, between a point 38 metres east of Blue Jays Way and a point 177 metres west of Simcoe Street, to operate on the south side of Wellington Street West, between John Street and a point 177 metres west of Simcoe Street;
4. amend the existing “No Standing, Anytime” prohibition on the south side of Wellington Street West, between Blue Jays Way and a point 38 metres east, to operate on the south side of Wellington Street West, between Blue Jays Way and a point 33 metres west of Windsor Street;
 5. rescind the existing “No Stopping, 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., Monday to Friday” prohibition on the south side of Wellington Street West, between Blue Jays Way and a point 60 metres west of Windsor Street; and
 6. amend the existing “No Stopping, Anytime” prohibition on the south side of Wellington Street West, between John Street and a point 60 metres west of Windsor Street, to operate on the south side of Wellington Street West, between John Street and Windsor Street.

Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division 2007 Operating Budget	\$ 200.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Marriot Residence Inn (No. 255 Wellington Street West) has requested Transportation Services to designate a hotel loading zone on the south side of Wellington Street West, fronting their property.

COMMENTS

Wellington Street West, between Blue Jays Way and Windsor Street, is a collector roadway that operates one-way in the westbound direction with a daily one-way traffic flow of approximately 5,000 vehicles and a speed limit of 50 km/h. There is no Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) service provided on the subject section of Wellington Street West. There are three westbound lanes provided for vehicle traffic. Additionally, there is a single lane on the south side that is presently not in use, as it is the continuation of a westbound left-turn lane that exits at Windsor Street.

The Marriot Residence Inn (No. 255 Wellington Street West) is located on the southwest corner of the intersection of Wellington Street West and Windsor Street. There is valet parking service for guests at the main entrance, located on the south side of Wellington Street West.

In order to accommodate the hotel loading requirements, Transportation Services evaluated a proposal to construct a lay-by within the south sidewalk on Wellington Street

West, west of Windsor Street. Based on our review, there is not sufficient sidewalk width adjacent to the hotel to construct a lay-by and maintain an acceptable sidewalk width. However, in order to accommodate the loading requirements of the hotel, it is feasible to designate an on-street loading zone, between Windsor Street and a point approximately 33 metres further west.

This proposal will require the designation of a “No Parking, Anytime” regulation, accompanied by signage indicating the loading zone. Representatives of the Marriot Residence Inn have indicated they are in agreement with this proposal. The remainder of the south side of Wellington Street West, west to Blue Jays Way, will be designated as “No Standing, Anytime”. This proposal will rescind and amend a number of existing regulations in place, which include regulations that were enacted temporarily during the construction of the hotel, but were not removed when the construction was completed.

The proposed designation of an on-street loading zone on the south side of Wellington Street West, between Windsor Street and a point approximately 33 metres to the west, will provide loading opportunities for hotel guests. This loading zone will not adversely impact the traffic or pedestrian operations on Wellington Street West as it will occupy a lane that is not used by through traffic.

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