



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Grenville Street, between Bay Street and Yonge Street - short term parking

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To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Toronto Centre-Rosedale, Ward 27
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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services is requesting approval to restrict parking to a maximum period of 20 minutes on the south side of Grenville Street in the vicinity of the “Native Child and Family Services of Toronto” building when children are picked up or dropped off. This regulation will apply to 3 parking spaces and should promote parking turnover in the area. There will be no impact on traffic operations, however, 3 pay-and-display parking spaces will be eliminated.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Rescind the regulation authorizing the operation of parking machines between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday and between 1:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Sunday for a maximum period of 3 hours at a rate of \$2.50 per hour on the south side of Grenville Street from a point 65 metres east of Bay Street to Yonge Street.
2. Authorize the operation of parking machines from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sunday for a maximum period of 3 hours at a rate of \$2.50 per hour on the south side of Grenville Street from Bay Street to a point 124 metres east and from a point 142 metres east of Bay Street to Yonge Street.

3. Allow parking for a maximum period of twenty minutes from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the south side of Grenville Street, from a point 124 metres east of Bay Street to a point 18 metres further east.
4. Prohibit parking from 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m., Monday to Friday and at all times Saturday and Sunday on the south side of Grenville Street, from a point 124 metres east of Bay Street to a point 18 metres further east.

Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Toronto Transportation Services 2008 Operating Budget interim appropriations	\$1000.00

The Toronto Parking Authority estimates loss of annual revenue associated with the removal of three pay-and-display parking spaces on the south side of Grenville Street, from a point 124 metres east of Bay Street to a point 18 metres further east would be approximately \$25,000.00.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of staff at the “Native Child and Family Services of Toronto”, Transportation Services investigated the possibility of identifying a 20 minute pick-up/drop-off area on the south side of Grenville Street between Bay Street and Yonge Street in the vicinity of the “Native Child and Family Services of Toronto” building (30 College Street).

COMMENTS

Grenville Street from Bay Street to Yonge Street is classified as a local roadway operating two-way (eastbound and westbound) on a pavement width of about 12 metres. The posted speed limit is 40 km/h. Pay-and-display parking operates between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday and between 1:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Sunday on both sides of the street. No TTC service operates on Grenville Street.

In order to facilitate a construction staging area for a 34-storey condominium complex at the south end of the site (825 Bay Street), stopping is currently prohibited at all times on both sides of Grenville Street approximately 65 metres east of Bay Street. Upon completion of this project, expected to be in October 2008, Grenville Street will revert to its pre-construction parking regulations except for the amendments noted in the above Recommendations.

Allowing parking for a maximum period of 20 minutes from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday to Friday, on the south side of Grenville Street is feasible and recommended. This will provide 3 short-term parking spaces, promote turnover and potentially improve

opportunity for people arriving at the Native Child and Family Services of Toronto to park while picking up or dropping off children. Three pay-and-display parking spaces will be lost as a result of this proposal.

There is no authority within the traffic by-laws of the City of Toronto that would allow parking spaces to be delineated by means of an amendment and regulatory signs on a public roadway exclusively for use by a specific agency, in this case the “Native Child and Family Services of Toronto”. Therefore, the short duration parking spaces outlined in this report could be used by anyone at any time, and there is no guarantee they may be available for use by a person visiting this facility. However, in recognition of the function these parking spaces are intended to provide, if this proposal is adopted by Toronto and East York Community Council we will post “advisory” signs suggesting these spaces only be used by persons picking up or dropping of children at the “Native Child and Family Services of Toronto”.

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