



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

**On-Street Loading Zone for Disabled Persons – 1709
Bloor Street West**

Date:	October 8, 2008
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Parkdale-High Park, Ward 14
Reference Number:	Ts08175te.top.doc

SUMMARY

Transportation Services is requesting City Council’s approval to designate a loading zone for disabled persons in front of No. 1709 Bloor Street West to facilitate curbside access for Wheel-Trans vehicles.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that City Council:

1. Authorize installation of an on-street loading zone for disabled persons on the south side of Bloor Street West, from a point 25.3 metres west of Indian Grove to a point 7 metres further west.

Financial Impact

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division 2008 Operating Budget.	\$400.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of Councillor Gord Perks on behalf of Loyola Arrupe Seniors Centre, Transportation Services has investigated designating an on-street loading/unloading zone in front of 1709 Bloor Street West to facilitate access for Wheel-Trans.

COMMENTS

Current Conditions

Bloor Street West, between Parkside Drive/Keele Street and Indian Grove is a major arterial roadway with a daily two-way traffic flow of approximately 27,500 vehicles and a speed limit of 50 km/h. The Toronto Transit Commission operates the Bloor-Danforth “Blue Light” overnight bus service on this section of Bloor Street West. The parking regulations on this section of Bloor Street West are as follows:

North side:

- No Parking, at all times; and
- No Stopping from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

South side:

- No Stopping, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday;
- No Parking, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday;
- Pay-and-display parking from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Friday; from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Saturdays; and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sundays; and
- 3-hour parking at all other times.

Resolution

Staff recommends installing a loading zone for disabled persons in front of No. 1709 Bloor Street West to facilitate curbside access for Wheel-Trans vehicles.

Delineating the loading area in front of No. 1709 Bloor Street West will eliminate 1 on-street parking space.

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