



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

No. 25 Mutual Street – disabled persons’ loading zone

Date:	December 12, 2007
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 the Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services is requesting approval from Toronto and East York Community Council to establish a disabled persons’ loading zone on the east side of Mutual Street, fronting No. 25, to allow for pick-up/drop-off by Wheel-Trans vehicles. Installation of this zone will result in the loss of two pay-and-display parking spaces.

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 both sides of Mutual Street from Queen Street East to Shuter Street;
2. rescind the one-hour parking regulation currently in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on both sides of Mutual Street from Queen Street East to Shuter Street;
3. designate a loading zone for a disabled person on the east side of Mutual Street, from a point 87.4 metres north of Queen Street East to a point 11 metres further north;

4. authorize 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 west side of Mutual Street from Queen Street East to Shuter Street;
5. authorize 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 east side of Mutual Street from Queen Street East to a point 87.4 metres further north; and
6. authorize 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 east side of Mutual Street from a point 98.4 metres north of Queen Street East to Shuter Street.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Toronto Transportation Services 2008 operating budget interim appropriations	\$500.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Councillor Kyle Rae, on behalf of the residents of No. 25 Mutual Street, requested that Transportation Services designate a disabled persons' loading zone fronting their apartment building for Wheel-Trans vehicles to conveniently pick-up/drop-off passengers.

COMMENTS

Mutual Street, between Queen Street East and Shuter Street, is a two-way local roadway with a pavement width of 14 metres. The posted speed limit on this section of Mutual Street is 40km/h. There is no transit service on Mutual Street.

The parking regulations on Mutual Street, between Queen Street East, and Shuter Street are as follows:

East Side:

- Pay & Display parking operates for a maximum period of three hours 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; and
- Maximum 3-hour parking at all other times.

West Side:

- Pay & Display parking operates for a maximum period of three hours 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; and
- Maximum 3-hour parking at all other times.

Wheel-Trans vehicles often have difficulty finding a suitable and appropriate curb side location near No. 25 Mutual Street to load/unload persons with a physical disability.

We could sign an on-street loading zone for disabled persons approximately 11 metres in length fronting No. 25 Mutual Street to give enough space to stop a Wheel-Trans bus against the curb. This would mean removing two parking spaces.

This disabled loading zone could be utilized by any vehicle displaying a valid disabled person parking permit while actively engaged in picking-up or dropping-off a disabled person, but does not permit a vehicle displaying a disabled parking permit to park at this location.

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ATTACHMENTS

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