



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### **Request to consider a staff report regarding parking amendments and left turn prohibitions – Dundas Street West, between Dovercourt Road and Sterling Road (Sustainable Transportation Initiative)**

<b>Date:</b>	September 24, 2009
<b>To:</b>	City Council
<b>From:</b>	City Manager
<b>Wards:</b>	Davenport, Ward 18
<b>Report Number:</b>	Cc09170te.top.doc

#### **SUMMARY**

This report is requesting City Council to consider as new business a report (September 24, 2009), from the General Manager, Transportation Services, responding to a request from Public Works and Infrastructure (PW25.4) that he report directly to City Council on a parking and traffic management initiative to improve streetcar and general traffic operations on Dundas Street West through Ward 18.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. City Council approve the proposal and the regulatory amendments listed in Appendix "A" and "B" of the report dated September 24, 2009 from the General Manager, Transportation Services, that will:
  - a) Extend the duration of the current "No Stopping, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday" regulation to apply, "from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., except Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays", on the north side of Dundas Street West, from Dovercourt Road to College Street;
  - b) Extend the duration of the current "No Stopping, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday" regulation to apply, "from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., except Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays", on the south side of Dundas Street West, from College Street to Dovercourt Road;

- c) Prohibit left-turns from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday except Public Holidays (bicycles excepted) by eastbound and westbound traffic on Dundas Street West at Dufferin Street;
- d) Prohibit left-turns at all times Monday to Saturday except Public Holidays (TTC vehicles and bicycles excepted) by eastbound traffic on Dundas Street West at Lansdowne Avenue;
- e) Prohibit left-turns from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., except Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays (bicycles excepted) by eastbound traffic on Dundas Street West at Dovercourt Road and at Rusholme Road;
- f) Prohibit left-turns from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., except Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays (bicycles excepted) by westbound traffic on Dundas Street West at Lisgar Street;
- g) Adjust the operational period of the “No Left Turn, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday” regulation by eastbound traffic on Dundas Street West at Brock Avenue, Gladstone Avenue, Rusholme Drive, St. Clarens Avenue, and Sheridan Avenue to apply, “from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., except Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays (bicycles excepted)”;
- h) Adjust the operational period of the “No Left Turn, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday” regulation by westbound traffic on Dundas Street West at Brock Avenue, Gladstone Avenue, St. Clarens Avenue and Sheridan Avenue to apply, “from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., except Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays (bicycles excepted)”;
- i) Implement “No Standing Anytime” regulations on Dundas Street West at the following locations
  - north side, from a point 60 metres east to a point 74 metres west of Brock Avenue;
  - south side, from a point 60 metres west to a point 60 metres east of Brock Avenue;
  - both sides, from Dovercourt Road to a point 60 metres west;
  - north side, from a point 88 metres east to a point 90 metres west of Dufferin Street;
  - south side, from a point 90 metres west to a point 90 metres east of Dufferin Street;
  - both sides, from a point 90 metres east to a point 90 metres west of Lansdowne Avenue; and
  - both sides, from a point 60 metres east to a point 60 metres west of Sheridan Avenue.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Funding is available in the 2009 Operating Budgets for Transportation Services and Toronto Parking Authority.

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

The Public Works and Infrastructure Committee at its meeting of June 3, 2009, referred a separate staff report entitled, “Introduction of Pay-and-Display Parking – Local Streets Intersecting Dundas Street West, between Dovercourt Road and Lansdowne Avenue” (Item PW25.4) to Toronto and East York Community Council for consideration; received for information the recommendations of the Toronto and East York Community Council contained in Item TE20.65; and requested the General Manager, Transportation Services to report directly to City Council on the alternative parking and traffic management proposal intended to improve streetcar and general traffic operation on Dundas Street West, from Dovercourt Road to College Street. Procedurally, the General Manager, Transportation Services may not report direct to City Council, hence this report is being submitted to introduce the General Manager’s report as new business.

## **COMMENTS**

Council has adopted in principle various initiatives intended to enhance TTC operations. These initiatives incorporate extending the morning and evening rush hour parking/stopping prohibitions, and implementing turn prohibitions on arterial roadways to reduce vehicular queuing.

In striving to achieve these initiatives the City also acknowledges parking along retail and commercial stretches of arterial roads within the central area of the City. These retail and commercial areas attract both local and suburban shoppers/patrons.

In considering these competing interests, the TTC and Transportation Services are striving to find a balance that will improve transit operations and retain the option of on-street parking in the retail community for persons patronizing local business along Dundas Street West, between Dovercourt Road and Sterling Road.

The parking and traffic management proposal outlined in the attached report from the General Manager, Transportation Services, dated September 24, 2009, is a model that can be applied in other communities within the City where public transit operations, commuter traffic, and local parking demands compete for use of the roadway.

This proposal was developed collaboratively with the TTC, Transportation Services and the Ward Councillor. While it favours public transit operation it also acknowledges the demands of the local business community to maintain parking during rush hour periods on Dundas Street West when such activity is usually prohibited on both sides of most arterial roads in the City.

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**SIGNATURE**

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**LIST OF ATTACHMENTS**

(1) General Manager, Transportation Services, Report dated September 24, 2009

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