



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Rescind One Hour Parking – local roadways bounded by Queen Street East, Kingston Road and Woodbine Avenue

Date:	August 10, 2009
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York
Wards:	Beaches-East York, Ward 32
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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.

At the request of Councillor Sandra Bussin, Transportation Services is seeking authority to rescind the one-hour parking regulations on the local roadways bounded by Queen Street East, Kingston Road and Woodbine Avenue. This includes Lark Street, Lockwood, Brookmount and Rainsford Roads and Columbine and Dixon Avenues.

Rescinding the one-hour parking regulations would provide up to a maximum of three hours of parking for visitors to the area. However, there would be less short-term parking for businesses on Queen Street East. There would be a negligible impact on traffic operations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Rescind the parking regulations in the attached Appendix A.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Toronto Transportation Services 2009 Operating Budget	\$5,000.00

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Councillor Sandra Bussin has requested that the existing one-hour parking regulations on the roadways bounded by Queen Street East, Kingston Road and Woodbine Avenue be rescinded to provide parking for longer periods for visitors to the area.

COMMENTS

The area bounded by Queen Street East to the south, Kingston Road to the north/west and Woodbine Avenue to the east is predominantly residential with some commercial on Queen Street East. From west to east, Lark Street, Lockwood Road, Brookmount Road and Rainsford Road connect Queen Street East to Kingston Road; From south to north, Columbine Avenue and Dixon Avenue connect Kingston Road to Woodbine Avenue. All of these are local, two-way roads except Dixon Avenue which operates one-way westbound from Lockwood Road to Kingston Road, and one-way eastbound from Lockwood Road to Woodbine Avenue. The Toronto Transit Commission does not operate on any of the subject roadways.

On all of the local roads within this neighbourhood, parking is allowed for one hour on one side and prohibited on the other, year round. On Lockwood Road and Rainsford Road the parking alternates mid-month from one side of the street to the other, except in winter when it is maintained on one side. On all roads parking is by permit only overnight (12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.). Permit holders are exempt from the one-hour parking limit. Attached drawing No. 421F-9711 depicts the existing and proposed parking regulations.

Rescinding the one-hour parking regulations would provide parking up to a maximum of three hours for any cars parked in the neighbourhood during the day without a parking permit. This will assist visitors, but it may mean less short-term parking for businesses on Queen Street East. There would be a negligible impact on traffic operations.

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SIGNATURE

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

- (1) Drawing No. 421F-9711, dated June 2009
- (2) Appendix A – Parking Regulations to be Rescinded

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