



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### Disabled Persons' Loading Zone – Gerrard Street East

<b>Date:</b>	September 22, 2009
<b>To:</b>	Toronto and East York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
<b>Wards:</b>	Toronto-Danforth, Ward 30
<b>Reference Number:</b>	Ts09162te.top.doc

#### SUMMARY

Transportation Services is requesting City Council's approval to establish a pick-up and drop-off zone for disabled persons fronting No. 1316 Gerrard Street East. The loading zone will provide curb-side access for a vehicle transporting a disabled resident at that address and will result in the loss of one parking space and the associated revenue from pay-and-display parking. TTC streetcar service along Gerrard Street East will not be negatively impacted by a disabled persons' loading zone.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

##### Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council approve the installation of an on-street pick-up and drop-off zone for disabled persons on the north side of Gerrard Street East from a point 35 metres east of Redwood Avenue to a point 5.5 metres further east.

#### Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Division 2009 Operating Budget	\$500.00

Loss of pay-and-display parking revenue from one parking space is estimated to be \$2,376.00 annually.

#### ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services has been requested to investigate establishing a pick-up and drop-off zone for disabled persons on behalf of a disabled resident at No. 1316 Gerrard Street East.

## **COMMENTS**

Gerrard Street East, between Greenwood Avenue and Coxwell Avenue, is an east/west 12.8 metre-wide collector road operating two-way with TTC streetcar service. Parking is generally allowed on both sides of the street for a maximum period of three hours with stopping prohibited on the north side of the street between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday and on the south side of the street between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. The Toronto Parking Authority (TPA) operates pay-and-display parking along this section of Gerrard Street East.

Transportation Services has been advised by the son of the disabled resident that he transports his father on a regular basis and, as a result of parked vehicles, frequently experiences difficulty accessing space at the curb near his father's home at No. 1316 Gerrard Street East.

To facilitate curb-side access, an on-street disabled persons' loading zone of 5.5 metres in length could be designated on the north side of Gerrard Street East near No. 1316. The loading zone could also be used by any vehicle displaying a valid "Disabled/Accessible Parking Permit" while actively engaged in picking-up or dropping-off a disabled person, except between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, when stopping is prohibited on the north side of the street.

The establishment of the disabled persons' loading zone would result in the loss of one parking space and the associated pay-and-display parking revenue generated by that parking space.

TTC street car service would not be negatively impacted by the installation of the disabled persons' loading zone.

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- (1) Drawing No. 421F-9797, dated September 2009

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