

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Mackay Avenue - Implement Pay-and-Display Parking

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To:	Etobicoke and York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Etobicoke and York
Wards:	Ward 17 - Davenport
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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

The Ward Councillor had requested implementing pay-and-display parking on Mackay Avenue in the vicinity of Dufferin Street. A review by Transportation Services and Parking Authority staff concluded that the south side of Mackay Avenue, immediately west of Dufferin Street, can accommodate pay-and-display parking.

The implementation of pay-and-display parking will encourage increased parking turnover and provide short-term parking for patrons of local businesses. The existing overnight permit parking and alternate-side parking on the south side of Mackay Avenue, between Dufferin Street and a point 28 metres further west will need to be rescinded. The proposed changes would have no foreseeable traffic operational impacts.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:

1. Implementing and rescinding the parking regulations as outlined in the attached Appendix A.

Financial Impact

Funding for signage and pay-and-display parking machines, respectively, is available in the 2010 Operating Budget for Transportation Services and in the 2010 Operating Budget for the Toronto Parking Authority, in the following accounts:

Type of funding	Source of funds	Amount
Operating	Transportation Services Division (Sign Installation & Maintenance)	\$500.00
Operating	Toronto Parking Authority	\$17,000.00
To	\$17,500.00	

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Ward Councillor had requested implementing pay-and-display parking on sections of local roadways intersecting St. Clair Avenue West, between Oakwood Avenue and Caledonia Road. Specifically sections of Glenholme Avenue, Boon Avenue, Harvie Avenue, and St. Clarens Avenue, immediately north and south of St. Clair Avenue West, have already been approved by Community Council for pay-and-display parking.

In addition, the Ward Councillor, in consultation with Transportation Services and Toronto Parking Authority staff, requests the introduction of pay-and-display parking on Mackay Avenue intersecting Dufferin Street. The pay-and-display parking was requested for this section of Mackay Avenue, between Dufferin Street and a point 28 metres further west.

Attachment 1 is map of the area.

COMMENTS

St. Clair Avenue West, between Lansdowne Avenue and Dufferin Street, is an arterial road with predominantly commercial land uses. There is existing pay-and-display parking on both sides of this section of St. Clair Avenue West. Dufferin Street, between St. Clair Avenue West and Rosemount Avenue, is an arterial road with predominantly residential land uses and some commercial land uses south of St. Clair Avenue West. There are existing parking meters on the west side of Dufferin Street, south of Mackay Avenue.

Mackay Avenue is a 7.3 metre wide one-way (eastbound) local road with a posted speed limit of 30 km/h (speed humps). The road provides access to residential properties and two commercial properties in this area.

Standing is prohibited from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday on the south side of Mackay Avenue, between Dufferin Street and a point 76 metres west. Standing is prohibited at all times on the north side of Mackay Avenue, between Dufferin Street and the east limit of the first laneway west. For the remaining portion of Mackay Avenue parking is allowed for a maximum period of one hour from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday on the south side of Mackay Avenue, between Dufferin Street and Greenlaw Avenue. During the night on Mackay Avenue, between Dufferin Street and Greenlaw Avenue, parking is restricted overnight (12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.) to residential on-street parking permit holders. Alternate side parking operates on Mackay Avenue,

between the first lane west of Dufferin Street to Greenlaw Avenue. The city-wide three hour limit exists during the day. Our observations show that most of the legal on-street parking spaces are occupied at most times of the day.

The additional pay-and-display parking can be included in the following section of Mackay Avenue, intersecting Dufferin Street:

• Mackay Avenue, south side, between Dufferin Street and a point 28 metres further west.

The proposed hours of pay-and-display operation for this road is from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Sunday. Parking will be allowed for a maximum of three hours at a rate of \$1.50 per hour. Parking will be allowed free of charge, for a maximum of three hours at all other times. This is consistent with the other pay-and-display machines in the area.

Implementing pay parking should increase parking turnover, providing more short-term parking for patrons of local businesses. Since the existing on-street parking permits will remain, local permit holders will not be affected. The above changes are expected to have a negligible impact on traffic operations.

Transportation Services will monitor each location for abuse of the proposed regulations and to ensure that parked vehicles are not obstructing sight lines for the public lanes that intersect close to the proposed parking areas.

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ATTACHMENTS

Appendix A: Parking Regulations for Implementing and Rescinding Table

Attachment 1: Map