



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Commercial Loading Zone – Lombard Street

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To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Toronto Centre-Rosedale, Ward 28
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SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval to establish a commercial loading zone on the north side of Lombard Street, just east of Victoria Street. The introduction of the commercial loading zone will provide for the loading/unloading of goods to local businesses on Lombard Street and Victoria Street at all times.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Designate a commercial loading zone to operate at all times, on the north side of Lombard Street, from a point 24.1 metres east of Victoria Street to a point 6 metres further east.
2. Rescind the existing 'No Standing Anytime' regulation on the north side of Lombard Street, from a point 24.1 metres east of Victoria Street to a point 6 metres further east.

Financial Impact

All costs associated with installation of the commercial loading zone, including an annual fee, will be the responsibility of the business owner.

DECISION HISTORY

City of Toronto Council, at its meeting of October 30, 1998 (Report 12, Clause 21), approved among other items a 'No Standing' regulation on the north side of Lombard Street, from a point 24.1 metres east of Victoria Street to a point 6 metres further east. This regulation was intended to prohibit vehicles from parking for extended periods of time over road level maintenance holes and allow access at all times to underground vaults at this location.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At the request of Councillor McConnell on behalf of Duggan's Brewery (75 Victoria Street), Transportation Services reviewed the feasibility of establishing a 'Commercial Loading Zone' on the north side of Lombard Street, east of Victoria Street to accommodate the delivery needs of local businesses in the vicinity of the existing "No Standing" zone.

COMMENTS

Lombard Street, between Church Street and Victoria Street, is an east-west collector road operating two-way. The TTC does not operate regular service on Lombard Street.

The following parking controls are in effect on the north side of Lombard Street, between Church Street and Victoria Street:

- No Standing Anytime – from a point 24.1 metres east of Victoria Street to a point 6 metres further east.
- Pay-and-display Parking 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday, 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sunday – from Church Street to Victoria Street (except the above section)

It is not legal for vehicles to deliver goods from a 'No Standing' zone. With pay-and-display parking in place on the rest of the street, the 6.0 metre 'No Standing' zone is one of the only locations available to be used for loading/unloading activities.

It is feasible to establish a 'Commercial Loading Zone' on the north side of Lombard Street, from a point 24.1 metres east of Victoria Street to a point approximately 6 metres further east. The installation of a 'Commercial Loading Zone' in place of the existing 'No Standing' regulation should not restrict access to road level maintenance since parking is prohibited within a loading zone.

In order for a 'Commercial Loading Zone' to be established on this section of Lombard Street as depicted on drawing No. 421F-9981, the following should be noted:

1. a 'Commercial Loading Zone' is a public facility, which may be used by anyone for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading merchandise and no one has exclusive rights to the loading zone.
2. the 'Commercial Loading Zone' would be in operation at all times.

3. Duggan's Brewery would be responsible for all incurred costs associated with the designation of a 'Commercial Loading Zone' which includes installation and maintenance. Currently the annual fees are \$296.11 plus an initial installation cost of approximately \$200.00 (2 signs required).

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