



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Parking Amendments – Concord Avenue

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To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Trinity-Spadina, Ward 19
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SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services has been requested by Deputy Mayor Joe Pantalone to rescind the one-hour maximum parking, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily regulation on Concord Avenue, between Hallam Street and Northumberland Street, which operates in conjunction with alternate side parking regulations on this section of the street. Rescinding this regulation will enable any motorist to park for up to three hours on Concord Avenue outside of the overnight permit parking period.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Rescind the “One-hour maximum parking, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., from December 1st of one year to March 31st of the next following year” regulation on the east side of Concord Avenue, between Hallam Street and Northumberland Street.
2. Rescind the “One-hour maximum parking, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., from the 1st day to the 15th day of each month, April 1st to November 30th” regulation on the east side of Concord Avenue, between Hallam Street and Northumberland Street.

3. Rescind the “One-hour maximum parking, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., from the 16th day to the last day of each month, April 1st to November 30th” regulation on the west side of Concord Avenue, between Hallam Street and Northumberland Street.

Financial Impact

Funding for the removal of signs in the estimated amount of \$200.00 is available within Transportation Services 2010 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services was requested by Deputy Mayor Joe Pantalone to investigate and report on rescinding the one-hour maximum parking, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily regulation on Concord Avenue, between Hallam Street and Northumberland Street that currently operates in conjunction with the alternate side parking regulations on this street. The intent is to provide residents, visitors, and trades persons with the opportunity to park for a longer duration.

COMMENTS

Concord Avenue is a local roadway that operates one-way southbound with a pavement width of 7.3 metres. It has a daily one-way traffic volume of approximately 700 vehicles and a speed limit of 30 km/h (speed humps installed). There is no TTC service on Concord Avenue.

The following regulations operate in conjunction with the alternate side parking regulations in effect on Concord Avenue:

- No Parking Except by Permit, 12:01 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., daily;
- One-hour maximum parking, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily; and
- Three-hour maximum parking at other times.

On the section of Concord Avenue, between Hallam Street and Northumberland Street, there are about 77 spaces provided. A total of 55 parking permits have been issued to residents of the street. Permit parking operates on an area basis (Area 3G).

The one-hour maximum parking regulation on Concord Avenue was implemented in 1995. The purpose of this regulation was to discourage non-resident commuter parking. The report on the issue noted that visitors and trades persons could be adversely affected by the one-hour regulation but residents with parking permits would be exempt.

With the rescission of the one-hour maximum parking regulation on Concord Avenue parking will default to the unsigned city-wide three-hour maximum limit at all times outside the permit parking hours. This change will provide motorists with longer parking opportunity on Concord Avenue, including visitors and trades persons.

Staff have no objection to this proposal but point out that residents should be made aware that there may be an increase in non-resident parking and less frequent turnover in parking spaces, which was the reason the one-hour maximum parking regulation was originally enacted.

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