



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Parking Machines – Borough Drive

Date:	May 28, 2015
To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Scarborough District
Wards:	Ward 38 – Scarborough Centre
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SUMMARY

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

This report responds to a request from Councillor Glenn De Baeremaeker to install parking machines in the area of the new library on Borough Drive beside the Scarborough Civic Centre. Transportation Services recommends that parking machines be installed on the north side of Borough Drive to provide short term on-street parking while maintaining safe and efficient traffic flow along Borough Drive. This is currently posted as a No Parking any time zone. The parking machines would be installed by the Toronto Parking Authority.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, recommends that Scarborough Community Council:

1. Authorize the installation of parking machines on the north side of Borough Drive, from a point 17 metres east of Brian Harrison Way to a point 147 metres further east, to operate from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday, for a maximum period of 3 hours and at a rate of \$2.00 per hour.
2. Rescind the parking prohibition in effect at all times on the north and west sides of Borough Drive, from Omni Drive (east intersection) to Progress Avenue.
3. Prohibit parking at all times on the north side of Borough Drive, from Omni Drive to a point 23 metres east of Brian Harrison Way.

4. Prohibit parking at all times on the north side of Borough Drive, from Town Centre Court (southwest intersection) to a point 164 metres east of Brian Harrison Way.
5. Prohibit parking at all times on the west side of Borough Drive, from Town Centre Court (northeast intersection) to a point 88 metres east of Town Centre Court (southwest intersection).
6. Rescind the parking prohibition in effect at all times on the east side of Borough Drive, from Progress Avenue (east intersection) and a point 61 metres south of Town Centre Court.

Financial Impact

The cost of installing the signage to define the No Parking zones adjacent to the parking machines zone is approximately \$500.00, funding for which is available in the Transportation Services 2015 Operating Budget, within Cost Centre TP0397.

The Toronto Parking Authority advises that the cost for the installation of the new parking machines, including appropriate signage is approximately \$34,000.00. These funds are available in the Toronto Parking Authority 2015 Pay and Display Machine Installation Program.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

This report is further to a request from Councillor Glenn De Baeremaeker to install parking machines in the area of the new library on Borough Drive. While there are currently parking machines along the south side of Borough Drive, the north side which abuts the new library is currently a No Parking zone. As the library has no parking supply on-site, patrons with vehicles would need to cross Borough Drive to access on-street parking.

COMMENTS

The following characteristics describe this portion of Borough Drive:

- Borough Drive is located east of Brian Harrison Way and the Scarborough Civic Centre access opposite Borough Approach East.
- Borough Drive is a four-lane collector road with an unposted speed limit of 50 km/h.
- Sidewalks are located on both sides of Borough Drive at the new library.
- The land uses in this area consists of government, commercial, multi-level residential high-rise buildings, and the new library.

This portion of Borough Drive is suitable for metered on-street parking for area visitors due to the existence of two westbound lanes of traffic and a sidewalk along the north side of this street. There would be sufficient traffic capacity to convert the curb lane for parking purposes. However, parking machines cannot be provided further east up to Town Centre Court (southwest intersection) due to the existence of a landscaped berm and a lack of a sidewalk.

It is recommended that the Toronto Parking Authority install parking machines along portion of Borough Drive to operate between the hours of 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday to Saturday in order to be consistent with the paid parking machine zone located on the south side of Borough Drive. Approximately fourteen on-street parking spaces will be created by this proposal.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Location Plan (Parking Machines – Borough Drive)