

Authority: Public Works and Infrastructure Committee Item 17.9,  
adopted as amended, by City of Toronto Council on October 2, 3 and 4, 2012  
Enacted by Council: October 4, 2012

## **CITY OF TORONTO**

### **BY-LAW No. 1291-2012**

#### **To amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 886, Footpaths, Pedestrian Ways, Bicycle Paths and Bicycle Lanes, to introduce Cycle Tracks.**

WHEREAS City Council, at its meeting of September 21 and 22, 2011, adopted as amended, the recommendations of the Government Management Committee that a Fixed Fine System for parking ticket offences, other than accessible parking offences, be implemented where a parking ticket proceeding results in a conviction after a defendant in court either pleads guilty or is found guilty; and

WHEREAS City Council enacted By-law No. 1403-2011 amending City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 886, Footpaths, Pedestrian Ways, Bicycle Paths and Bicycle Lanes, to introduce a fixed fine system for parking tickets; and

WHEREAS City Council, at its meeting of February 6 and 7, 2012, adopted as amended, Public Works and Infrastructure Committee Item 11.2 and enacted By-law No. 166-2012, further amending City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 886, Footpaths, Pedestrian Ways, Bicycle Paths and Bicycle Lanes, to increase the fixed fine amount for stopping a vehicle in a bicycle lane;

The Council of the City of Toronto HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

1. Chapter 886, Footpaths, Pedestrian Ways, Bicycle Paths and Bicycle Lanes, of The City of Toronto Municipal Code is amended as follows:
  - A. By deleting from the title of the Code Chapter the phrase: "and Bicycle Lanes" and inserting in lieu thereof the phrase: ", Bicycle Lanes and Cycle Tracks".
  - B. By inserting in § 886-1B a new definition for Cycle Track as follows:

"CYCLE TRACK - The lanes on highways or portions of lanes on highways designated as cycle tracks under § 886-12."
  - C. By deleting reference to "886-14B" in § 886-14C and replacing it with reference to "886-19C".
  - D. By amending § 886-13B by deleting the phrase: "or Subsection 886-10C" and inserting in lieu thereof the phrase: ", Subsection 886-10C or Subsection 886-15B".
  - E. By amending § 886-13D by inserting the phrase: "or Subsection 886-15B" after the phrase: "Subsection 886-10C" in both places that it appears.

- F. By renumbering current Article VI (Schedules), current Article VII (Offences) and current Article VIII (Transition) to Article VII (Schedules), Article VIII (Offences) and Article IX (Transition), respectively.
- G. By renumbering § 886-12 to §886-14, inclusive, to § 886-17 to § 886-19, inclusive, respectively.
- H. By inserting a new Article VI - Cycle Tracks as follows:

**"ARTICLE VI  
Cycle Tracks**

**§ 886-12. Lanes on highways or portions of highways designated for the use of bicycles only.**

The lanes on highways or portions of highways listed in Schedule E to this chapter are established as cycle tracks.

**§ 886-13. Signs; power to regulate traffic not affected.**

- A. A designation as a cycle track under § 886-12 shall be effective upon the erection of authorized signs to that effect.
- B. The General Manager is authorized to place or erect and to maintain all authorized signs, official signs, pavement markings and traffic control signals which are required to give effect to the provisions of this article or as are required to warn or guide traffic for the safety or convenience of the public.
- C. The lawful directions of a police officer for the regulation of traffic on a road shall be obeyed notwithstanding any provisions of this article, and nothing in this article shall affect the powers to regulate traffic held by the Toronto Police Service.
- D. No person shall place, maintain or display upon or near any highway sign a signal, marking or device which purports to be or is an imitation of or resembles an authorized sign or pavement marking or traffic control signal or device which conceals from view or interferes with the effectiveness of an authorized sign, pavement marking, traffic control signal or device.

**§ 886-14. Bicycle operation at transit stop.**

Where a person in charge of a bicycle on a cycle track approaches a Toronto Transit Commission bus which is stationary for the purpose of taking on or discharging passengers, the person on a bicycle shall not pass the bus or approach nearer than 2 metres measured back from the rear or front entrance or exit, as the case may be, of the Toronto Transit Commission bus on the side on which passengers are getting on or off until the passengers have crossed the cycle track.

**§ 886-15. Operation and stopping of vehicles restricted.**

- A. Subject to § 886-16, no person shall operate a vehicle other than a bicycle in any cycle track except for the purpose of:
- (1) Ingress to or egress from a private lane or driveway adjacent to the cycle track;
  - (2) Loading or unloading of persons with a disability from a Wheel-Trans vehicle, operated by or under contract to Toronto Transit Commission, while actively engaged in doing so.
- B. Subject to § 886-15A(2), no person shall stop a vehicle other than a bicycle in a cycle track.

**§ 886-16. Exemptions.**

Section 886-15 does not apply to the following vehicles, if compliance therewith would be impracticable:

- A. Ambulances, police or fire service vehicles or any other vehicle actively engaged in responding to an emergency; or
- B. Vehicles actually and actively engaged in works undertaken for or on behalf of:
- (1) The City; or
  - (2) A public utility, including utilities providing telecommunications, energy, water supply or wastewater related services."
- I. By adding Appendix "A" to this by-law as a new Schedule E.
2. Section 1 of this by-law shall come into effect the first Thursday following 45 days after approval of the first set fine order for City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 886, Footpaths, Pedestrian Ways, Bicycle Paths, Bicycle Lanes and Cycle Tracks, subsequent to the enactment of this by-law.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 4th day of October, A.D. 2012.

FRANCES NUNZIATA,  
Speaker  
(Corporate Seal)

ULLI S. WATKISS,  
City Clerk

**Appendix "A"**

Schedule E to Chapter 886  
Cycle Tracks

Column 1  
Highway

Column 2  
Between

Column 3  
Lanes

Column 4  
Times or Days