Dundas Street West at High Park Avenue – Parking Regulation Amendments

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To: Etobicoke York Community Council
From: Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
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SUMMARY
The purpose of this report is to obtain approval to amend the general provisions bylaw that prescribes no parking of a vehicle within 30.5 metres of an intersecting roadway controlled by traffic signals for the intersection of Dundas Street West and High Park Avenue. The parking regulations will be amended to prohibit parking only within 15 metres of the far side approach to the intersection for both directions.

This proposed parking amendment will maximize the on-street parking supply in the subject area for the benefit of the nearby commercial/retail establishments and will not compromise safety for motorists and pedestrians travelling through the intersection.

RECOMMENDATIONS
Transportation Services recommends that City Council approve:

1. Enacting a “No Parking Anytime” regulation on the north side of Dundas Street West from High Park Avenue to a point 15.0 metres further west.

2. Enacting a “No Parking Anytime” regulation on the south side of Dundas Street West from High Park Avenue to a point 15.0 metres further east.

Financial Impact

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ISSUE BACKGROUND
Transportation Services received a request from Councillor Bill Saundercook’s office, on behalf of the Junction Gardens B.I.A., to review the recently installed “No Parking Anytime” signs positioned approximately 30.5 metres from the intersection of Dundas Street West and High Park Avenue. These authorized signs were installed in conjunction with the recent installation of traffic control signals at this location. The concern is with the subsequent loss of approximately ten on-street parking spaces. A map of the area is attached.

COMMENTS
In September 2009, traffic control signals were installed at the intersection of Dundas Street West and High Park Avenue. Consequently, "No Parking Anytime" signs were installed 30.5 metres from each approach of the intersection on both sides of Dundas Street West and the east side of High Park Avenue, in accordance with the general provisions bylaw. This eliminated approximately ten on-street parking spaces on both sides of Dundas Street West, in the vicinity of High Park Avenue, where pay-and-display parking machines are in operation.

The general provisions bylaw specifies no parking anytime within 30.5 metres of an intersecting roadway controlled by traffic signals unless 15.0 to 30.5 metres no parking anytime is introduced through an amendment to "Schedule VIII".

From an operations perspective, the 30.5m no parking restriction on the south side of Dundas Street West at the west approach to the intersection must be retained to allow adequate turning sight distance for vehicles making a right turn from northbound High Park Avenue to eastbound Dundas Street West. Any reduction in this dimension results in substandard turning sight distance and will require prohibiting right turns on red.

Our review has determined that the 30.5 metre "No Parking Anytime" regulations on the north side of Dundas Street West, west of High Park Avenue and the south side of Dundas Street West, east of High Park Avenue can be reduced to 15.0 metres while maintaining adequate visibility for motorists and pedestrians travelling through the intersection. Relocation of the two “No Parking Anytime” signs to 15.0 metres from the intersection will restore approximately four on-street parking spaces on Dundas Street West, in the vicinity of High Park Avenue.

As the TTC operates bus service on Dundas Street and High Park Avenue, they have been consulted on this amendment.
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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map