Pay and Display Parking: Yonge Street

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To:      North York Community Council
From:    Director, Transportation Services Division, North York District
Wards:   Ward 23 – Willowdale
Reference Number: ny10102

SUMMARY

Since the Toronto Transit Commission operates a transit service on Yonge Street, City Council approval of this report is required.

To obtain approval to remove the current no stopping at anytime restrictions on Yonge Street from a point 145 metres north of Church Avenue to Byng Avenue to allow on-street Pay and Display Parking from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Saturday, and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday. Stopping will be prohibited during the peak volume periods from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

The removal of the existing no stopping at anytime restrictions and installation of on-street Pay and Display parking will address the concerns of the local residents and the area business owners by increasing the availability of on-street parking.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services Division, North York District, recommends that City Council:

1. Amend the existing by-laws to delete the no stopping at anytime prohibition on the east side of Yonge Street, between a point 145 metres north of the northerly limit of Church Avenue and Byng Avenue;
2. Amend the existing by-law to prohibit stopping at anytime, on the east side of Yonge Street, from a point 145 metres north of Church Avenue to Byng Avenue from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday

3. Amend Chapter 910 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code, to install Pay and Display parking on the east side of Yonge Street between a point 145 metres north of Church Avenue and a point 15 metres south of Byng Avenue, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Saturday, and 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday, at a rate of $2.00 per hour, for a maximum parking period of 3 hours.

Financial Impact

The Toronto Parking Authority has advised that the cost to install new Pay and Display Parking machines on Yonge Street including changes to the appropriate signage is $34,000.00. These funds are available in the Toronto Parking Authority 2010 Pay and Display Machine Installation Program.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services Division, North York District, was requested by a representative of the local business community to review the feasibility of providing Pay and Display Parking on the east side of Yonge Street between a point 145 metres north of Church Avenue (Northtown Way) and Byng Avenue.

COMMENTS

Currently, stopping is prohibited at anytime on the east side of Yonge Street from a point 145 metres north of Church Avenue to Byng Avenue. There is currently on-street Pay and Display parking on Yonge Street to the south between Church Avenue and a point 145 metres north thereof and also between Byng Avenue and Olive Avenue to the north, except during peak volume periods.

The removal of the existing no stopping at anytime restrictions and installation of on-street Pay and Display Parking will address the concerns of the local residents and the area business owners by increasing the availability of on-street parking. As stopping will continue to be prohibited during the peak volume periods between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, there will be no impact on the flow of traffic on Yonge Street during the peak volume periods.
As such, this division supports the installation of Pay and Display Parking along this section of Yonge Street.

Councillor John Filion supports the recommendations of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – Yonge St: Pay and Display Parking (ny10102_map)