SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval to install a temporary taxicab stand for the duration of the Toronto Honda Indy event, on the south side of Lake Shore Boulevard West (eastbound curb lane), between a point 30 metres east of Strachan Avenue and a point 30 metres west of Fort York Boulevard. The taxicab stand would be in place from July 7 to 10, 2011, inclusive with possible extension to July 11, 2011, if necessary.

RECOMMENDATIONS
Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Approve installation of a taxicab stand on the south side of Lake Shore Boulevard West (eastbound curb lane), between a point 30 metres east of Strachan Avenue and a point 30 metres west of Fort York Boulevard, from July 7 to 10, 2011, inclusive and possible extension to July 11, 2011, if necessary.

Financial Impact
The event organizer is responsible for the costs associated with the 2011 Honda Indy Race. There are no direct financial implications to the City.
DECISION HISTORY
City of Toronto Council, at its meeting held on April 6, 2009 approved the operation of the Honda Indy Race at Exhibition Place for the years 2009, 2010 and 2011 (reference Toronto and East York Community Council Item TE24.69). However, at that time, introduction of a temporary taxicab stand on the south side of Lake Shore Boulevard West in connection with the annual Honda Indy Race was only approved for 2009.

COMMENTS
To facilitate traffic movement and minimize event and post race congestion on Strachan Avenue and in the vicinity of the Princes' Gates at Exhibition Place, staff recommend installation of a temporary taxicab stand on the south side of Lake Shore Boulevard West (eastbound curb lane), between a point 30 metres east of Strachan Avenue and a point 30 metres west of Fort York Boulevard. The installation of a taxicab stand in this area has been beneficial in previous years and would be located in an area where it does not impact significantly on post-race pedestrian or vehicular traffic.

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