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STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED

Proposed Installation of Parking Machines - Marine Parade Drive

Date:	February 3, 2012
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Acting Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 6 – Etobicoke-Lakeshore
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SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to propose the installation of Pay and Display machines on portions of Marine Parade Drive.

Transportation Services staff met with the area Councillor, representatives of the Traffic Subcommittee of the Humber Bay Shores Condominium Association, and staff from the Toronto Parking Authority. As a result of these meetings, Toronto Parking Authority staff has indicated that they can support the installation of Pay and Display machines on a portion of Marine Parade Drive as was requested at this meeting by the Traffic Subcommittee. These machines are intended to provide on-street parking for area businesses, residents and visitors during the daytime and evening. Transportation Services can support this request as it will encourage parking turnover (three hours maximum) and assist in parking enforcement.

Since the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a transit service on Marine Parade Drive, City Council approval of this report is required. TTC staff has been consulted on the matter and has not objected to the proposal.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that City Council approve:

1. Rescinding the "No Parking Anytime" prohibition on the east/south sides of Marine Parade Drive between the east intersection of Lake Shore Boulevard West and a point 315.0 metres west of Waterfront Drive.

2. Rescinding the "No Parking Anytime" prohibition on the west side of Marine Parade Drive between a point 55.0 metres south of the east intersection of Lake Shore Boulevard West and a point 18.5 metres south thereof.

3. Rescinding the “No Parking Anytime” prohibition on the west/north sides of Marine Parade Drive between a point 24.0 metres north of Waterfront Drive and a point 48.5 metres south/west of Waterfront Drive.

4. Rescinding the “No Parking Anytime” prohibition on the north side of Marine Parade Drive between a point 144.0 metres west of Waterfront Drive and a point 26.0 metres west thereof.

5. Rescinding the “No Parking Anytime” prohibition on both sides of Marine Parade Drive between the west intersection of Lake Shore Boulevard West and a point 261.0 metres south/east thereof.

6. Rescinding the “2 Hour Parking, Anytime” restriction on the west side of Marine Parade Drive between the east intersection of Lake Shore Boulevard West and a point 55.0 metres south thereof.

7. Rescinding the “2 Hour Parking, Anytime” restriction on the west side of Marine Parade Drive between a point 73.5 metres south of the east intersection of Lake Shore Boulevard West and a point 24.0 metres north of Waterfront Drive.

8. Enacting a “No Parking Anytime” prohibition on the south/east sides of Marine Parade Drive between the west intersection of Lake Shore Boulevard West and a point 278 metres further east.

9. Enacting a “No Stopping Anytime” prohibition on the south/east side of Marine Parade Drive between a point 144.0 metres west of Waterfront Drive and a point 25.0 metres further west.

10. Enacting a “No Parking Anytime” prohibition on the south/west/north sides of Marine Parade Drive between the west intersection of Lake Shore Boulevard West and the east intersection of Lake Shore Boulevard West.

11. The installation of Parking Machines on the south and east sides of Marine Parade Drive from a point 278 metres south/east of the west intersection of Lake Shore Boulevard West to the east intersection of Lake Shore Boulevard West, to operate from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday, and 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Sundays for a maximum period of three hours, at a rate of $1.00 per hour.

Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget (parking signs)	Transportation Services Operating Budget	$1,800.00

The Toronto Parking Authority advises that the funding required for the installation of new pay and display machines on Marine Parade Drive, is available in the Toronto Parking Authority 2012 parking machine installation program.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services has attended numerous meetings with the Traffic Subcommittee of the Humber Bay Shores Condominium Association to discuss parking concerns on Marine Parade Drive. These concerns related to long duration parking from visitors and residents of the condominium as well as long duration parking by motorists who park on Marine Parade Drive to access the waterfront trail.

Maps of the area are Attachments 1, 2 and 3. For by-law purposes, Lake Shore Boulevard West and Marine Parade Drive are considered as having an east-west alignment.

Marine Parade Drive is a collector road in the residential community east of Park Lawn Road and south of Lakeshore Boulevard West. The traffic volume on this road is approximately 2,400 vehicles per day. The speed limit on this street is 40 km/h.

The road width on Marine Parade Drive ranges between 10.0 metres (east end) and 17.3 meters (west end). The westerly portion of the road is divided by a centre median. There are a number of high-rise condominiums located in the area, some of which have a commercial component on the ground floor. Several of these condominiums have driveway access to Marine Parade Drive.

The current parking regulations on Marine Parade Drive are generally depicted in Attachment 2. There is significant on-street parking available up to either a two or three hour maximum with “No Parking Anytime” signage erected on the east/south side of Marine Parade Drive, between the east intersection of Lake Shore Boulevard West up to a point where the road is divided by the centre median.

During a typical weekday, many motorists are parked along the west and north side of Marine Parade Drive in the area where parking is permitted for 2 or 3 hours. Many of these motorists are parking for long duration (i.e. longer than 2 or 3 hours). The area on the south/east side of Marine Parade Drive, towards the west end of the street, is also currently permitted for on-street parking but is often not occupied by parked vehicles during the weekdays. However, on the weekends, during the summer months in particular, this area is often used for parking by motorists who use the recreational trails in the area. In addition, during the summer months, motorists must pay for parking in Humber Bay Park. To avoid paying for parking in the lots, motorists park on the road.

As there is an on-street parking demand, the Toronto Parking Authority has indicated that they can support the conversion of some of the existing permitted parking area to Pay and Display operation. Not only will this generate revenue, but it will also encourage parking turnover and make parking enforcement easier. This proposed area on the south and east side of the street will accommodate approximately 110 vehicles.

The Toronto Parking Authority recommends that the hours of revenue operation be 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday, and 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Sunday at a rate of $1.00 per hour up to a maximum of three hours. During all other times, the city-wide unposted three hour limit will apply.

In order to improve sightlines for pedestrians crossing Marine Parade Drive mid-block on the straight aligned section south/west of Waterfront Drive, staff is recommending that stopping be prohibited on the south/east side of Marine Parade Drive between a point 144.0 metres southwest of Waterfront Drive and a point 25.0 metres further southwest.

The south/east side of the street was chosen to install the Pay and Display Parking as it would provide direct access to the waterfront trail, there are more spaces available on this side than the north/west side and, as the TTC provides bus service westbound on Marine Parade Drive, this will ensure bus access to the curb free of parked vehicles.

The north/west side of Marine Parade Drive in the area where the road is divided (west end) will be posted as "No Parking Anytime". This area could also be available as a Pay and Display area in the future with the development of the adjacent properties.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Area Map
Attachment 2: Existing Conditions
Attachment 3: Proposed Conditions