Taxicab Stand – Victoria Street

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To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards: Toronto Centre-Rosedale, Ward 28
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SUMMARY
This staff report is about a matter for which the Toronto and East York Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services is requesting approval from Toronto and East York Community Council to move an existing Taxicab Stand on the east side of Victoria Street, south of King Street East, in an effort to keep the "No Parking" zone fronting the Victoria Street entrance to the King Edward Hotel clear from taxis.

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

1. Rescind the 2-vehicle "Taxicab Stand" regulation in effect at all times on the east side of Victoria Street, between Colborne Street and King Edward Hotel Entrance.

2. Rescind the 2-vehicle "Taxicab Stand" regulation in effect at all times on the east side of Victoria Street, immediately south of King Street East.

3. Enact a 5-vehicle "Taxicab Stand" regulation in effect at all times on the east side of Victoria Street, from a point 9m south of King Street East to a point 28m further south.

Financial Impact
The cost of sign installation required to give effect to the recommendations is estimated to be about $500.00, funds for which are available in Transportation Services 2012 Operating Budget.
COMMENTS

Victoria Street, between King Street East and Colborne Street, is an 8.8m wide two-lane collector roadway operating one-way northbound. The King Edward Hotel is located on the east side of Victoria Street, between King Street East and Colborne Street. There is no TTC service on Victoria Street.

The parking regulations on the east side of Victoria Street, between King Street East and Colborne Street are as follows:

- Taxicab Stand (2 vehicles) - From a point 9m south of King Street East to a point 13m further south;
- No Parking Anytime - From a point 22m south of King Street East to a point 20.5m further south; and
- Taxicab Stand (2 vehicles) – From a point 42.5m south of King Street East to a point 14.5m further south.

The "No Parking Anytime" regulation on the east side of Victoria Street is intended to provide loading and unloading opportunities for the King Edward Hotel. Currently, taxis are queuing through the "No Parking Anytime" area into the south Taxicab Stand.

Transportation Services staff were approached by representatives of the King Edward Hotel requesting that the existing Taxicab Stand on the east side of Victoria, just north of Colborne Street, be relocated north and combined with the existing Taxicab Stand on the east side of Victoria Street, just south of King Street East. The relocation of the south Taxicab Stand and consolidation with the 2-vehicle Taxicab Stand just south of King Street will create a new 5-vehicle Taxicab Stand. This proposed change should keep the "No Parking Anytime" area in front of the hotel clear.

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