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STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED

Pay & Display Parking Machines: Wilson Avenue, east of Tippett Road

Date:	March 15, 2013
To:	North York Community Council
From:	Acting Director, Transportation Services, North York District
Wards:	**Ward 10 – York Centre**
Reference Number:	ny13051 P:\2013\Cluster B\TRA\NorthYorkDistrict

SUMMARY

Since the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a transit service on Wilson Avenue, City Council approval of this matter is required.

To obtain approval to install Pay and Display Parking machines on the south side of Wilson Avenue from Tippett Road to 73.1 metres east thereof.

The installation of the on-street Pay and Display Parking area will provide additional parking for residents and ground floor businesses for the newly constructed Gramercy Park Condominium on the south side of Wilson Avenue east of Tippett Road.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, North York District recommends that City Council:

1. Approve the removal of No Stopping 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays on south side of Wilson Avenue between Wilson Heights Boulevard and a point 228.5 meters west of Yonge Street;

2. Approve the installation of No Stopping 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays on south side of Wilson Avenue from a point 73.1 meters east of Tippett Road to a point 228.5 meters west of Yonge Street; and

3. Approve the installation of Pay and Display Parking machine on the south side of Wilson Avenue from a point15.0 metres east of Tippett Road to a point 58.0 metres further east, to operate between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday; for a fee of $1.50 per hour, for a maximum of 3 hours.

Financial Impact

All costs associated with the construction of the on-street parking layby on the south side of Wilson Avenue, east of Tippett Road, were borne by the developer, of the Gramercy Park Condominiums. The installation of the Pay and Display Parking machine will be borne by the Toronto Parking Authority.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Applicant, of the Gramercy Park Condominiums has received approval by City Council for a Zoning By-law Amendment to permit the redevelopment of the southeast corner of Wilson Avenue and Tippett Road. The development site consists of a mixed use building on the north portion of the site fronting Wilson Avenue, having commercial uses and two storey grade related live/work units on the ground floor and 498 residential units above. Whereas the south portion of the site will be developed with a five storey office building.

As part of the Zoning By-law Amendment application process, the Applicant agreed to construct a parking layby on the south side of Wilson Avenue, east of Tippett Road fronting the new development, which will have Pay and Display Parking.

This parking layby has been constructed and now requires that the appropriate signage and markings be installed.

COMMENTS

An on-site review has indicated that occupancy of the condominiums has commenced and that the parking lay by on the south side of Wilson Avenue has been constructed.

The intersection of Wilson Avenue and Tippet Road/Wilson Heights Boulevard is controlled by a traffic control signal. The existing lane configuration for the eastbound approach lanes consists of a left turn lane, right turn lane and two through lanes.
The eastbound receiving lanes consist of two through lanes. The existing curb lane, immediately east of the intersection is wider than required and narrows further east of the intersection. Therefore, in view of the wide pavement width the existing curb lane was narrowed to construct a parking lay by and increase the pedestrian public realm area on the south side of the roadway. The existing far side transit stop for eastbound traffic has been relocated to the east end of the parking layby area.

Currently, no stopping 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays exists on the south side of Wilson Avenue between Wilson Heights Boulevard and a point 228.5 meters west of Yonge Street.

The parking layby will be approximately 58 metres in length and facilitate parking for approximately 6 vehicles. The Toronto Parking Authority has indicated that this area will require one Pay and Display machine and will operate under the following hours of operation and fee schedule:

- 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday; for a fee of $1.50 per hour, for a maximum of 3 hours.

This Division supports the introduction of on-street parking on the south side of Wilson Avenue from a point 15.0 metres east of Tippett Road to a point 58.0 metres thereof. The increase in the number of available on-street parking spaces on Wilson Avenue will be a benefit for local businesses and residents in the area.

The Ward Councillor is aware of the recommendations contained within this report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – Wilson Avenue; Pay & Display Parking
Attachment 2: Map – Wilson Avenue; Development Site Plan