



**STAFF REPORT  
ACTION REQUIRED**

**Parking Amendments – Yonge Street, between Crescent Road and Woodlawn Avenue**

<b>Date:</b>	April 24, 2013
<b>To:</b>	Toronto and East York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Acting Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District
<b>Wards:</b>	St. Paul's, Ward 22 Toronto Centre–Rosedale, Ward 27
<b>Reference Number:</b>	Ts2013101te.top.doc

**SUMMARY**

Transportation Services is seeking authority from City Council to amend the parking regulation on both sides of Yonge Street, between Crescent Road and Woodlawn Avenue, to allow parking during the evening off-peak periods and on Saturdays and Sundays.

The implementation of on-street Pay-and-Display parking along this section of Yonge Street during the evening week-day and week-end timeframes proposed, should not adversely impact operational safety while providing much needed on-street parking for area businesses within this community and provide approximately 83 additional on-street overnight parking spaces.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Transportation Services recommends that:**

1. City Council rescind the existing parking prohibition on the west side of Yonge Street, between Crescent Road and Woodlawn Avenue West.
2. City Council rescind the existing parking prohibition on the east side of Yonge Street, between Crescent Road and Woodlawn Avenue East.
3. City Council rescind the existing stopping prohibition on the west side of Yonge Street, between Birch Avenue and Woodlawn Avenue West, in effect 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, except Public Holidays.

4. City Council rescind the existing stopping prohibition on the east side of Yonge Street, between Shaftsbury Avenue and Woodlawn Avenue East, in effect 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, except Public Holidays.
5. City Council prohibit stopping at all times on the west side of Yonge Street, between Birch Avenue and Woodlawn Avenue West, from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, except Public Holidays.
6. City Council prohibit stopping at all times on the east side of Yonge Street, between Shaftsbury Avenue and Woodlawn Avenue East, from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, except Public Holidays.
7. City Council rescind the existing standing prohibition on the west side of Yonge Street, between Woodlawn Avenue West and a point 35.4 metres south of Birch Avenue, in effect 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.
8. City Council rescind the existing standing prohibition on the east side of Yonge Street, between Woodlawn Avenue East and a point 35.4 metres south of Birch Avenue, in effect 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.
9. City Council prohibit parking on the west side of Yonge Street, between Crescent Road and Woodlawn Avenue West, from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.
10. City Council prohibit parking on the east side of Yonge Street, between Crescent Road and Woodlawn Avenue East, from 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.
11. City Council allow Pay-and-Display parking on the west side of Yonge Street, between Crescent Road and Woodlawn Avenue West, from 6:30 p.m. to Midnight, Monday to Friday, for a maximum period of 5.5 hours at a rate of \$2.50 per hour, and from 8:00 a.m. to Midnight on Saturdays, and 1:00 p.m. to Midnight on Sundays, for a maximum period of six hours at a rate of \$2.50 per hour.
12. City Council allow Pay-and-Display parking on the east side of Yonge Street, between Crescent Road and Woodlawn Avenue East, from 6:30 p.m. to Midnight, Monday to Friday, for a maximum period of 5.5 hours at a rate of \$2.50 per hour, and from 8:00 a.m. to Midnight on Saturdays, and 1:00 p.m. to Midnight on Sundays, for a maximum period of six hours at a rate of \$2.50 per hour.

### **Financial Impact**

Funding for the installation of signs in the estimated amount of \$2,000.00 is available within the Transportation Services 2013 Operating Budget.

### **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Councillor Wong-Tam, in consultation with the Rosedale Main BIA and Transportation Services, requested staff to review the feasibility of allowing on-street parking on Yonge

Street, between Crescent Road and Woodlawn Avenue during the evening off-peak periods and on Saturdays and Sundays.

There is a small section on the west side of Yonge Street, between Birch Avenue and Woodlawn Avenue West that resides in Ward 22. Councillor Matlow has been advised of the proposed parking amendments and is in support of this initiative.

## **COMMENTS**

Yonge Street, between Crescent Road and Woodlawn Avenue, is a four-lane major arterial roadway with a daily two-way traffic flow of approximately 36,000 vehicles and a speed limit of 50 km/h. The 97B bus route operates during the peak periods, from Monday to Friday only. The 320 bus route operates during the overnight period, seven days a week.

We reviewed the parking regulations on both sides of Yonge Street in this vicinity.

The parking regulations on the west side of Yonge Street, between Crescent Road and Birch Avenue, are as follows:

West side:

- No Stopping 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., Monday to Friday
- No Parking At All Times

The parking regulations on the west side of Yonge Street, between Birch Avenue and Woodlawn Avenue West, are as follows:

- No Stopping 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday
- No Parking At All Times

The parking regulations on the east side of Yonge Street, between Crescent Road and Shaftsbury Avenue, are as follows:

East side:

- No Stopping 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, except Public Holidays
- No Parking At All Times

The parking regulations on the east side of Yonge Street, between Shaftsbury Avenue and Woodlawn Avenue East, are as follows:

- No Stopping 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, except Public Holidays
- No Parking At All Times

The parking regulations on both sides of Yonge Street, between Woodlawn Avenue and a point 35.4 metres south of Birch Avenue, are as follows:

- No Standing 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Monday to Friday
- No Parking At All Times

Generally, the land use in this area has changed over the years as have the traffic volumes and congestion. There are numerous restaurants and retail stores located on both sides on this section of Yonge Street that do not have off-street parking facilities for their patrons. As a result, these patrons park on the local residential streets for extended periods of time reducing the number of residential on-street parking spaces.

The following table summarizes the peak and off-peak traffic volumes on Yonge Street, on this stretch of roadway.

Time Period	Northbound Per hour average	Southbound Per hour average	Both Directions Per hour average Total
7:30 am – 9:30 am	660	1230	1890
11:30 am – 1:30 pm	820	920	1740
3:30 pm – 6:30 pm	1200	1000	2200
6:30 pm – 9:30 pm	830	880	1712
9:30 pm – midnight	480	620	1080

Based on above-noted traffic volumes, given the reduced volumes between 6:30 p.m. and midnight, parking could be allowed during the evening off-peak periods on both sides of Yonge Street, between Crescent Road and Woodlawn Avenue. However, the daytime stopping and parking prohibitions should be retained to provide a proper level of service for traffic operations.

The implementation of on-street Pay-and-Display parking along this section of Yonge Street during the evening week-day and week-end timeframes proposed, should not adversely impact operational safety while providing much needed on-street parking for area businesses within this community and provide approximately 83 additional on-street overnight parking spaces.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **LIST OF ATTACHMENTS**

- (1) Drawing No. 421G-1064, dated April 2013
- (2) Drawing No. 421G-1079, dated April 2013

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