Two-Way Operation – Northumberland Street

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To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District
Wards: Davenport, Ward 18
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SUMMARY
This staff report is about a matter for which the Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services is requesting approval to rescind the one-way operation on Northumberland Street, east of Westmoreland Avenue. This change will require the removal of the existing planter box and some adjustments to the parking regulations.

The proposed changes will make Northumberland Street, from Westmoreland Avenue to Dovercourt Road, a two-way roadway with on-street parking on the south side of the street.

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

1. Rescind the one-way eastbound operation on Northumberland Street, between Westmoreland Avenue and a point 34.7 metres east.

2. Approve the widening of Northumberland Street, east of Westmoreland Avenue, generally as shown on Drawing No. 421G-1103, dated May 2013, attached to the May 21, 2013 report entitled "Two-Way Operation – Northumberland Street", from the Acting Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District.

3. Rescind the "One-hour Maximum Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily" regulation on the north side of Northumberland Street, between Westmoreland Avenue and a point 33.5 metres further east.
4. Rescind the "No Parking, Anytime" regulation on the south side of Northumberland Street, between Westmoreland Avenue and a point 57.7 metres further east.

5. Rescind the "No Parking, 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily, except by permit" regulation on the even side of Northumberland Street, between Westmoreland Avenue and a point 33.5 metres further east.

6. Amend the existing "No Parking, 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily, except by permit" regulation on the odd side of Northumberland Street, between a point 57.7 metres east of Westmoreland Avenue and Dovercourt Road, to operate between Westmoreland Avenue and Dovercourt Road.

7. Amend the existing "One-hour Maximum Parking, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily" regulation on the south side of Northumberland Street, between a point 57.7 metres east of Westmoreland Avenue and Dovercourt Road, to operate between Westmoreland Avenue and Dovercourt Road.

8. Amend the existing accessible parking space in effect at all times on the north side of Northumberland Street, between a point 28.0 metres east of Westmoreland Avenue and a point 5.5 metres east, to operate at all times on the south side of Northumberland Street, between a point 28.5 metres east of Westmoreland Avenue and a point 5.5 metres further east.

**Financial Impact**
Funds to undertake the removal of the planter box and the installation of signs in the estimated amount of $1,200.00 are contained in the Transportation Services Division 2013 Operating Budget.

**ISSUE BACKGROUND**
Transportation Services has investigated a request from Councillor Ana Bailão, on behalf of area residents, to rescind the partial one-way operation on Northumberland Street and revert to a two-way operation between Westmoreland Avenue and Dovercourt Road.

**COMMENTS:**
Northumberland Street, between Westmoreland Avenue and Dovercourt Road, is a local street with a speed limit of 40 km/h and a pavement width of 6.4 metres. There is no TTC service on Northumberland Street. Currently, Northumberland Street operates one-way in the eastbound direction, between Westmoreland Avenue and a point 34.7 metres further east. The remainder of the street operates with two-way traffic. A planter box is situated at the transition point from one-way to two-way operation, narrowing the roadway to 4.1 metres.

There is daytime one-hour time limit parking (8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily) and overnight permit parking (12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., daily) designated on the south side of...
the two-way section of Northumberland Street and on the north side of the one-way section of Northumberland Street. Otherwise, parking is allowed for a maximum period of three hours where permitted.

A Canada Post transfer station was previously located on the south side of Northumberland Street, west of Dovercourt Road (No. 772 Dovercourt Road). To address the infiltration of heavy vehicles into the Dovercourt Park neighbourhood, in 2005 a portion of Northumberland Street was designated one-way eastbound to direct heavy vehicles to use Dovercourt Road. To reinforce the one-way operation, a planter box was placed to delineate the beginning of the one-way eastbound section.

As this transfer station is now closed and the infiltration of heavy vehicles into the neighbourhood is no longer a concern, Northumberland Street can revert to a two-way operation with minimal impact to traffic operations. This change will also result in increased on-street parking opportunities.

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS
(1) Drawing No. 421G-1103, dated May 2013

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