Pay-and-Display Parking – King Street East

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To: Toronto and East York Community Council

From: Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York

Wards: Toronto Centre-Rosedale, Ward 28

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SUMMARY

Transportation Services is requesting approval from City Council to implement Pay-and-Display parking on King Street East, between St. Lawrence Avenue and River Street/Lower River Street. The proposed changes will add about nine on-street parking spaces in this area.

RECOMMENDATIONS
Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council amend the existing "No Parking, Anytime" regulation, on the north side of King Street East, between St. Lawrence Street and Queen Street East, to be in effect between River Street/Lower River Street and Queen Street East.

2. City Council amend the existing "No Parking, Anytime" regulation, on the south side of King Street East, between St. Lawrence Street and Queen Street East, to be in effect between River Street/Lower River Street and Queen Street East.

3. City Council amend the existing "Pay-and-Display parking, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday and from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday" regulation, for a maximum period of 3 hours, at a rate of $1.50 per hour, on the north side of King Street East, between Parliament Street and a point opposite St. Lawrence Street, to be in effect between Parliament Street and River Street/Lower River Street.
4. City Council amend the existing "Pay-and-Display parking, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday and from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday" regulation, for a maximum period of 3 hours, at a rate of $1.50 per hour, on the south side of King Street East, between Percy Street and St. Lawrence Street, to be in effect between Percy Street and River Street/Lower River Street.

Financial Impact
Funds to undertake the necessary signage adjustments in the estimated amount of $500.00 are contained within the Transportation Services 2015 Operating Budget. The Toronto Parking Authority advises that the funds required to install Pay-and-Display parking machines on this section of King Street East are available in Toronto Parking Authority 2015 Pay-and-Display Machines Installation Program.

ISSUE BACKGROUND
Councillor Pam McConnell has requested that Transportation Services review the feasibility of allowing Pay-and-Display parking on King Street East, between St. Lawrence Avenue and River Street/Lower River Street, to provide additional parking opportunities in the area.

COMMENTS
King Street East, between St. Lawrence Street and Queen Street East, is a four-lane, major arterial roadway with a daily two-way traffic volume of about 15,000 vehicles and a regulatory speed limit of 50 km/h. There are streetcar tracks on King Street East that operate on a shared right-of-way with the median lanes. Transit service on King Street East is provided by the '503 Kingston Road' and '504 King' streetcar routes. Near-side transit stops in both directions are provided at the intersection with River Street/Lower River Street.

Parking is prohibited at all times on both sides of this section of King Street East. Additionally, stopping is prohibited between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday on the north side, and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side.

Transportation Services is recommending that the current "No Parking, Anytime" regulation on both sides of King Street East, between St. Lawrence Street and River Street/Lower River Street, be removed and replaced with Pay-and-Display parking, outside the times of the stopping prohibitions. The parking will operate between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, and 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday on the north side and 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday and 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday on the south side.
This parking proposal, which was established in consultation with Toronto Parking Authority, will generate about nine on-street parking spaces in this area where on-street parking is currently in high demand. The proposed regulations will be consistent with the parking regulations in effect on the section of King Street East to the west, between Sumach Street and St. Lawrence Street.

The TTC was consulted with respect to the potential impacts the proposed parking regulations will have on their streetcar service. The TTC have advised this parking proposal may negatively impact their service on this section of King Street East.

Councillor Pam McConnell has been advised of the recommendations in this report.

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS
1. Drawing No. 421G-1896, dated September 2015