



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### Parking and Loading Amendments – Gerrard Street East

<b>Date:</b>	April 26, 2016
<b>To:</b>	Toronto and East York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Public Realm Section, Transportation Services Director, Toronto and East York District, Transportation Services
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 27 – Toronto Centre-Rosedale
<b>Reference Number:</b>	p:\2016\ClusterB\tra\pr\te16006pr

#### SUMMARY

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Transportation Services is requesting City Council approval to switch the parking along Gerrard Street East, between Yonge Street and Church Street from the north curb lane to the south curb lane on Gerrard Street East and add a dedicated WheelTrans loading zone as part of planned 2016 road reconstruction and streetscape improvements.

The proposed design as shown in Appendix "D" will maintain existing vehicle operations, improve pedestrian and cycling infrastructure, provide open planting areas and seating, and reconfigure existing parking to better serve the adjacent land uses, including the addition of a dedicated WheelTrans loading zone to serve Ryerson University on the south side of Gerrard Street East. The net effect will be a reduction from 17 parking spaces to 13 spaces. As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a transit service on Gerrard Street East, City Council approval of this report is required.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

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**Transportation Services, Public Realm Section and Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District recommend that:**

1. City Council rescind the parking regulations outlined in Appendix "A" – By-Laws to be Rescinded, attached to this report entitled, "Parking and Loading Amendments – Gerrard Street East" from the Directors of Transportation Services, Public Realm Section and Toronto and East York District dated April 26, 2016.

2. City Council enact the parking and loading regulations outlined in Appendix "B" – By-Laws to be Enacted, attached to this report entitled, "Parking and Loading Amendments – Gerrard Street East" from the Directors of Transportation Services, Public Realm Section and Toronto and East York District dated April 26, 2016.

## **Financial Impact**

All costs associated with the necessary signage installation are included within the Transportation Services 2016 Operating Budget. The loss of four parking spaces will have an annual revenue impact of \$35,481.60 (HST inclusive Toronto Parking Authority revenues).

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Transportation Services, Public Realm Section is reporting to implement parking and loading regulations on Gerrard Street East between Yonge Street and Church Street, as part of the larger road reconstruction and streetscape enhancements which extend from Yonge Street to Sherbourne Street, scheduled for delivery in 2016. Existing parking regulations are depicted in Appendix "C" – Gerrard Street: Existing Parking Regulations. The proposed amendments are depicted in Appendix "D" – Gerrard Street: Proposed Parking Amendment Plan. These regulations are deemed necessary to facilitate the safe and efficient operation of traffic, parking and WheelTrans access in this area. Engineering Construction Services has been working with representatives from the BIA Office, the Downtown Yonge BIA, Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division, Transportation Services, and Ryerson University to integrate road, cycling, and streetscape improvements which address current and anticipated increases in the number of residents, visitors and students utilizing the street and right-of-way.

## **COMMENTS**

Gerrard Street East between Yonge Street and Church Street is a collector road with a travel lane in each direction and metered parking on the north side which tapers to a right-turn lane approaching Yonge Street. On the south side, there is a bicycle lane and parking is prohibited. This segment of road is within the Downtown Yonge BIA catchment and abutting land uses includes Ryerson University as well as residential. As part of the streetscape enhancements and reconfiguration of the bike lanes on this corridor, pedestrian clearways are being improved by relocating existing trees within constrained tree pits to new open curbside planters with seat wall and understory planting features. Additional enhancements are being funded by the Downtown Yonge BIA and Ryerson University to provide paver banding, landscaping and accent lighting which will further beautify this area.

The relocation of the parking will also facilitate loading for WheelTrans passengers, which would not be possible due to the current bike lane configuration. The recommended change will result in the loss of four parking spots and the addition of a dedicated WheelTrans drop-off zone to serve Ryerson University. The Toronto Parking Authority and Councillor Wong-Tam have been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

## **Housekeeping Issues**

A staff review also determined that the signed parking regulations on Gerrard Street East between Yonge Street and a point 55 metres east of Yonge Street are not authorized by the traffic by-law. This discrepancy will be resolved with the approval of Recommendations No. 1 and No. 2 of this report.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Appendix A – By-Laws to be Rescinded  
Appendix B – By-Laws to be Enacted  
Appendix C – Gerrard Street: Existing Parking Regulations  
Appendix D – Gerrard Street: Proposed Parking Amendment Plan

Appendix A

**By-Laws to be Rescinded**

No Stopping Anytime

<b>Highway</b>	<b>Side</b>	<b>Between</b>	<b>Prohibited Times and/or Days</b>
Gerrard Street East	North	A point 55.5 metres west of Church Street and a point 30.5 metres west of Jarvis Street	Anytime
Gerrard Street East	North	Yonge Street and a point 55 metres west of Yonge Street	Anytime
Gerrard Street East	South	Yonge Street and a point 55.5 metres east of Church Street	Anytime

Parking Machines

<b>Highway</b>	<b>Side Parking</b>	<b>Between</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Fee/Time Limit</b>	<b>Max. Parking Period</b>
Gerrard Street East	North	A point 85 metres east of Yonge Street and a point 55.5 metres west of Church Street	8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Mon. to Fri.; 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sat.; 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sun.	\$3.00 for 1 hour	3 hours

Appendix B

**By-Laws to be Enacted**

No Stopping Anytime

<b>Highway</b>	<b>Side</b>	<b>Between</b>	<b>Prohibited Times and/or Days</b>
Gerrard Street East	North	Yonge Street and Church Street	Anytime
Gerrard Street East	North	Church Street and a point 30.5 metres west of Jarvis Street	Anytime
Gerrard Street East	South	Yonge Street and a point 90 metres east	Anytime
Gerrard Street East	South	A point 77 metres west of Church Street and a point 28 metres further west	Anytime
Gerrard Street East	South	Church Street and a point 60 metres west of Church Street	Anytime
Gerrard Street East	South	Church Street and a point 55.5 metres east of Church Street	Anytime

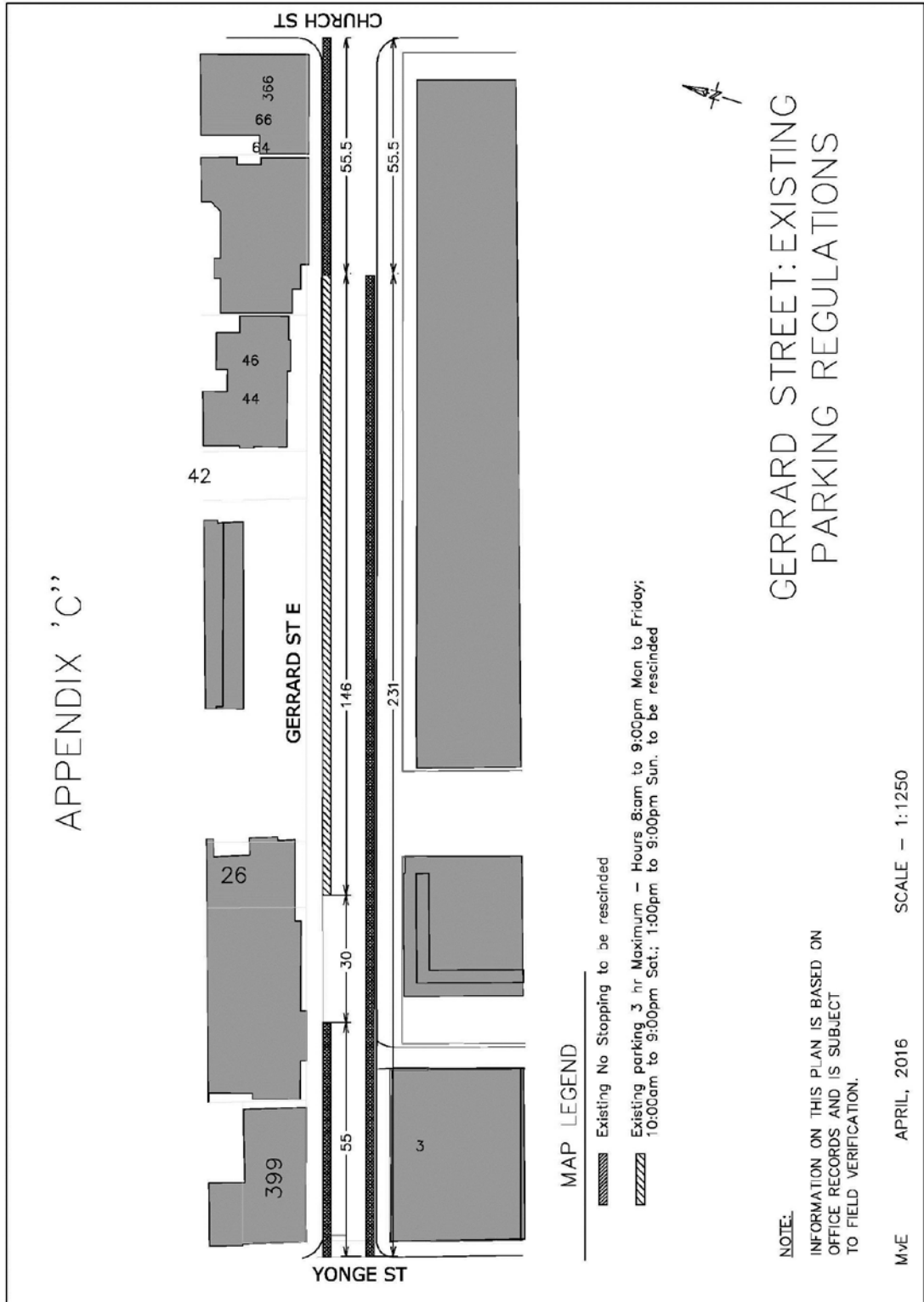
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<b>Highway</b>	<b>Side Parking</b>	<b>Between</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Fee/Time Limit</b>	<b>Max. Parking Period</b>
Gerrard Street East	South	A point 102 metres east of Yonge Street and a point 79 metres further east	8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Mon. to Fri.; 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sat.; 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sun.	\$3.00 for 1 hour	3 hours
Gerrard Street East	South	A point 60 metres west of Church Street and a point 17 metres further west	8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Mon. to Fri.; 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sat.; 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sun.	\$3.00 for 1 hour	3 hours

Designated On-Street Accessible Loading Zones for Permit Holders

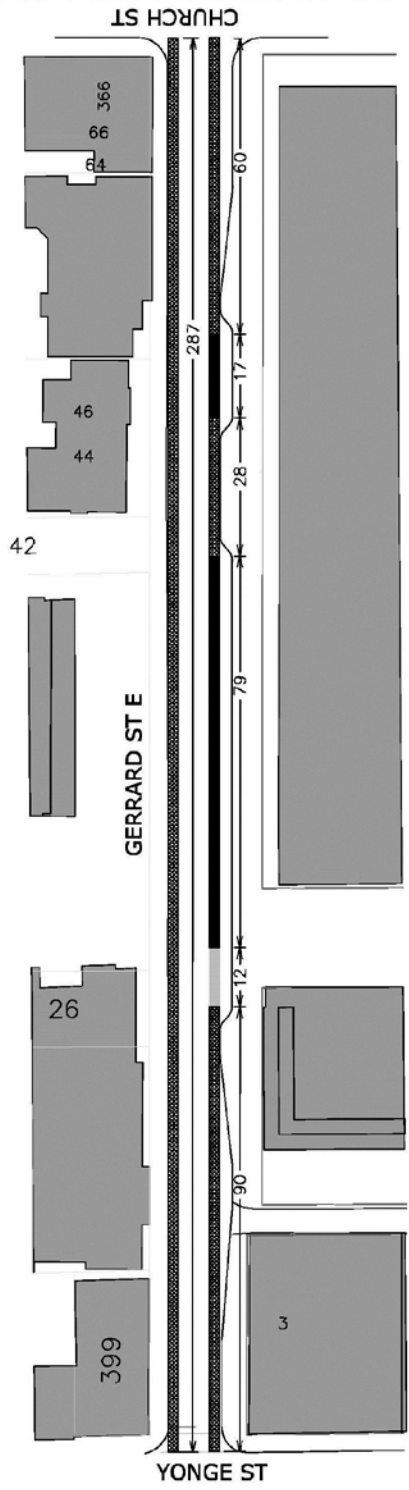
<b>Highway</b>	<b>Side</b>	<b>Between</b>	<b>Time or Days</b>
Gerrard Street East	South	A point 90 metres east of Yonge Street and a point 12 metres further east	Anytime

APPENDIX 'C'






GERRARD STREET: EXISTING  
 PARKING REGULATIONS

# APPENDIX 'D'



## MAP LEGEND

-  Proposed No Stopping
-  Proposed 3 hr Maximum - Hours 8:am to 9:00pm Mon to Friday; 10:00am to 9:00pm Sat.; 1:00pm to 9:00pm Sun.
-  Proposed Designated On-Street Loading Zones for Permit Holders



## GERRARD STREET: PROPOSED PARKING AMENDMENT PLAN

**NOTE:**  
 INFORMATION ON THIS PLAN IS BASED ON OFFICE RECORDS AND IS SUBJECT TO FIELD VERIFICATION.

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