

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Parking Amendments – King Street East

Date:	August 30, 2016
То:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Acting Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Toronto Centre-Rosedale, Ward 28
Reference Number:	Ts2016181te.top.doc

SUMMARY

As the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a transit service on King Street East, City Council approval of this report is required.

The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) is proposing to relocate a mid-block transit stop on the south side of King Street East, between Ontario Street and Berkeley Street further west towards Ontario Street. This will provide TTC passengers with a shorter walk to the existing pedestrian crossing facility (PXO) at King Street East and Ontario Street.

In order to accommodate this proposal, Transportation Services is requesting approval to adjust the existing parking regulations on the south side of King Street East, in the vicinity of Ontario Street, including the relocation of a taxi cab stand.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District recommends that:

1. City Council amend the existing taxicab stand in effect at all times, except 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of King Street East, between a point 38 metres east of Princess Street and a point 20.1 metres further east to operate between a point 14.5 metres east of Ontario Street and a point 20.0 metres further east.

- 2. City Council amend the existing parking machine regulation on the south side of King Street East, between a point 15 metres east of Princess Street and a point 30.5 m west of Berkeley Street, operating from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Saturday, and 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday, for a maximum period of three hours at a rate of \$ 2.25 per hour, to operate between a point 15 metres east of Princess Street and a point 14.5 metres east of Ontario Street and between a point 34.5 metres east of Ontario Street and 30.5 metres west of Berkeley Street.
- 3. City Council approve prohibiting stopping from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, except holidays, on the south side of King Street East, between Jarvis Street and Parliament Street.
- 4. City Council rescind the existing two hour parking limit on the south side of King Street East, between Jarvis Street and Berkeley Street in effect from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday.

Financial Impact

All costs associated with the necessary signage installation are included within the Transportation Services 2016 Operating Budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

At this request of the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC), Transportation Services, reviewed the feasibility of modifying parking regulations on the south side of King Street East and Ontario Street to help facilitate the relocation of a transit stop.

COMMENTS

King Street East is a four-lane major arterial roadway that carries approximately 12,000 vehicles daily, and has a regulatory speed limit of 50 km/hr. Transit service on King Street East is provided by "504-King" and "514-Cherry" streetcars, which operates on a shared right-of-way with general traffic. Transit stops for both directions are located east of Ontario Street. A pedestrian crossover (PXO) is in operation on King Street East, immediately east of Ontario Street.

The following parking regulations are in effect on the south side of King Street East, between Princess Street and Berkeley Street:

- "No Stopping", 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday-Friday;
- "Pay and display parking", 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Saturday, 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday, between a point 15 metres east of Princess Street and a point 30.5 metres west of Berkeley Street;

- "Maximum two-hours parking", 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Saturday, between Jarvis Street and Berkeley Street; and
- "Stands for Taxicabs", anytime, except 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, between a point 38 metres east of Princess Street and a point 20.1 metres further east, for three numbers of taxicabs.

Of note, the "No Stopping", 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, parking prohibition on south side of King Street West, between Jarvis Street and Parliament Street is currently signed in the field, but not recorded in the by-law (Municipal code, Chapter 950).

The existing eastbound TTC transit stop is located approximately 69 metres east of Ontario Street and transit passengers can use either the traffic signals at Berkeley Street or the PXO at Ontario Street to cross King Street East.

Relocating the TTC bus loading zone on the south side of King Street East, closer to Ontario Street, will provide passengers with a shorter walk to the existing PXO facility at this intersection. Approximately six additional pay and display parking spaces will be added on the south side of King Street East, between Ontario Street and Berkeley Street, by adjusting the current parking regulations to accommodate the relocation of the TTC bus loading zone.

The relocation of the "No Standing, Anytime" parking regulation, linked to the TTC bus loading zone, will not require by-law approval, as it is statutory by-law.

House Keeping Matters

During the course of our investigation it was also noted that there are discrepancies between the posted signs and the parking regulations by-law. The parking regulations outlined in Recommendations 2 and 3 will correct these discrepancies. Councillor Pam McConnell has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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SIGNATURE

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-2214, dated September 2016

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