To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Councillor James Pasternak, Ward 10 – York Centre

Date: December 15, 2016

RE: Establishing a Commuter Parking Advisory Group

SUMMARY:

Unbeknownst to many members of the commuting public and elected officials the commuter parking opportunities in various parts of the city are being reduced or eliminated. This was – for the most part - the result of TTC and Council decisions made in 2009. This is particularly acute around the Wilson Station with the closure of a recent parking lot, the Downsview Station which reaches capacity each weekday morning and the future Downsview Subway- GO Station which has no commuter parking planned. In fact, the recently approved Smart Track plan comes with little to no commuter parking.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Manager report back to Executive Committee by April 19, 2017 after consulting with key commuter parking stakeholders to contextualize, assess, vision and provide commuter feedback on the commuter parking needs along the new Spadina-University Subway line and other points of entry for travel. The objective will be to put in to context recent planning and real estate decisions that have reduced commuter parking and make recommendations for alternative commuter parking options.

The stakeholders should include but not be restricted to:

1. Toronto Transit Commission.
2. BUILD Toronto
3. Interested Councillors, notably the Councillors of Wards 8, 9, 10
5. City of Toronto Planning Department.
6. Interested members of the public and private sector, such as Yorkdale Shopping Centre.
7. Toronto Parking Authority
Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Councillor James Pasternak
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