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Toronto and East York Community Council
Committee Room 1, City Hall
100 Queen St W
Toronto ON M5H 2N2

Dear Chair and Members,

NEW BUSINESS REQUEST: Rescission of Alternate Thursday Parking on Croatia Street

BACKGROUND:

In April 2016, Transportation Services requested approval from the Toronto and East York Community Council to undertake road alteration and traffic regulation amendments on Croatia Street. The road alteration was intended to prevent traffic infiltration from the Dufferin Mall driveways on the south side of Croatia Street from accessing Bloor Street West via Brock Avenue. The road alteration was to construct a median island along the centre of Croatia Street, limiting movements at two of the Dufferin Mall’s driveways to right-in and right-out. The traffic amendments were geared at complementing the median island by prohibiting east-west U-turns at both ends of the island and prohibiting standing at all times along the length of the median island. The Toronto and East York Community Council approved this request and in late fall 2016 the road alteration and traffic amendments were introduced.

Croatia Street is designated with alternate Thursday parking, whereby parking switches from the south side of the street to the north side of the street every Thursday, from the first Thursday in April to the last Thursday in November. Area residents have noticed that during switchover times: 9 p.m. Wednesday to 12:00 pm Thursday, and 9 p.m. Thursday to 12:00 p.m. Friday, vehicles are parked on both sides of the street. This, coupled with the presence of median island makes it difficult to drive and park on Croatia Street due to the limited space available. For this reason, the purpose of this motion is to rescind alternate Thursday parking in order to make driving and parking on Croatia Street easier and safer.
RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. Amend the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times except each Thursday, from April 1\(^{st}\) to November 30\(^{th}\), inclusive, on the north side of Croatia Street, between Brock Avenue and a point 29 metres east; between Dufferin Street and a point 64 metres west; and between a point 84 metres east of Brock Avenue and a point 165 metres west of Dufferin Street, to be in effect at all times.

2. Amend the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times except 5:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m., each Thursday, from April 1\(^{st}\) to November 30\(^{th}\), inclusive, on the north side of Croatia Street, between a point 29 metres east of Brock Avenue and a point 55 metres further east, to be in effect at all times.

3. Amend the existing parking prohibition in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, on the south side of Croatia Street, between Brock Avenue and a point 103 metres east, to be in effect from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday.

4. Rescind the existing parking prohibitions in effect each Thursday, from April 1\(^{st}\) to November 30\(^{th}\), inclusive, on the south side of Croatia Street, between Dufferin Street and a point 64 metres west and between a point 103 metres east of Brock Avenue and a point 165 metres west of Dufferin Street.

Thank you for your consideration.

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