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REPORT FOR ACTION

Parking Amendment – Bathurst Street

Date: February 20, 2019

To: Toronto and East York Community Council

From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 11, University - Rosedale

SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is requesting approval to increase the current standing prohibition on the west side of Bathurst Street by 5.5 metres, just north of the parking garage for MTCC #935 Condo Building (No. 456 College Street). This change will improve the sight lines between southbound motorists and motorists exiting the parking garage and will result in the loss of one pay & display parking space.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services, recommends that:

1. City Council prohibit standing at anytime on the west side of Bathurst Street, between College Street and a point 62.1 metres north.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All cost associated with the necessary signage changes are included within the Transportation Services 2019 Interim Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services was requested by Councillor Mike Layton to investigate sight line concerns for motorists entering/exiting the underground parking garage for MTCC #935 on Bathurst Street, north of College Street (No. 456 College Street).

The entrance to the underground parking garage for MTCC #935 is located on the west side of Bathurst Street, about 50 metres north of College Street. Bathurst Street is a four-lane, major arterial roadway operating with two-way traffic and a posted speed limit of 40 km/h. Transit service is provided by the 511 Bathurst streetcar.

The following parking regulations are generally in effect on the west side of Bathurst Street:

- No stopping, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday;
- No parking, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday;
- Pay & display parking, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Saturday, and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday; and
- Three-hour maximum parking, all other times (unsigned, statutory).

Also, standing is prohibited on the west side of Bathurst Street, between College Street and a point 1.8 metres north of the underground parking garage for MTCC #935. This standing prohibition was specifically signed for the near side TTC "Stop" on the west side of Bathurst Street, north of College Street.

Collision History

Collision statistics provided by the Toronto Police Service for the five-year period ending December 31, 2018 disclosed that there were no collisions on Bathurst Street that involved motorists exiting the parking garage at this location.

Sight lines

We reviewed sight lines between motorists exiting the underground parking garage and southbound motorists on Bathurst Street. The reported concern is that parked vehicles are creating sight line issues between motorists exiting the parking garage and southbound motorists.

Based on our investigation, we note that there is no collision pattern that involves motorists exiting this parking garage. The sight lines are typical of similar driveways within the City of Toronto. By removing one parking space just north of the parking garage entrance, sight lines will be improved for motorists exiting the parking garage at this location. Therefore, we have no objection to increasing the standing prohibition by 5.5 metres further north. This proposal will result in the loss of one pay & display parking space on Bathurst Street.

Councillor Mike Layton has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-3298, dated February 2019

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