

Commercial Loading Zone - John Street

Date: August 24, 2020
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 10, Spadina - Fort York

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that Community Council has delegated authority to make a final decision, provided that it is not amended so that it varies with City Policy or by-laws.

Transportation Services is recommending designation of a commercial loading zone to operate at all times on the east side of John Street. The proposed commercial loading zone will help facilitate curb-side loading/unloading of goods to the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC), located at 25 John Street.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing standing prohibition in effect from 6:30 p.m. to 12:00 midnight, Monday to Friday and 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m., on Saturday, Sunday and public holidays; April 1 to November 30 of the same year, inclusive, on the east side of John Street, between Front Street West and Wellington Street West.
2. Toronto and East York Community Council rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on the east side of John Street, between Front Street West and Wellington Street West.
3. Toronto and East York Community Council designate a commercial loading zone to operate at all times on the east side of John Street, between a point 30.5 metres south of Wellington Street West and a point 54 metres further south.
4. Toronto and East York Community Council prohibit stopping at all times on the east side of John Street, between Wellington Street West and a point 30.5 metres south, and between Front Street West and a point 84.5 metres south of Wellington Street West.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications to this report. The estimated amount of \$105.61 for installation, plus the annual fee of \$396.07 for the commercial loading zone will be borne by the applicant.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services was requested by the CBC to install a commercial loading zone on the east side of John Street, south of Wellington Street West, to provide loading/unloading opportunity in this area.

John Street, between Wellington Street West and Front Street West is classified as a collector roadway and operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of about 13 metres. The speed limit is currently 50 km/h; however, a reduction to 30 km/h has been approved as part of the Vision Zero Speed Management Strategy (TE12.37) but is not yet signed. There is no TTC service on John Street.

The following parking regulations are in effect on the subject section of John Street:

Both sides

- No parking anytime,
- No standing anytime from 6:30 p.m. to 12:00 a.m., Monday to Friday; and from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., on Saturday, Sunday and public holidays; from April 1 to November 30 of the same year, inclusive.

Transportation Services' staff determined that it is feasible to designate a commercial loading zone fronting the CBC building located at 25 John Street. Specifically, the commercial loading zone will operate at all times on the east side of John Street, between a point 30 metres south of Wellington Street West and a point 54 metres further south. There will be no loss of on-street parking with this proposal. However, it is noted that vehicles displaying Accessible Parking Permits will not be permitted to park within the commercial loading zone or "No Stopping" areas.

It should be noted that a commercial loading zone is a public facility, which may be used by anyone for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading of merchandise and no one has exclusive rights to the loading zone.

Councillor Joe Cressy has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Drawing No. 421G-3652, dated January 2020.

