



Monday, August 23, 2021

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

Dear Chair and Members,

RE: Lane Designation – River Street and King Street East

At its meeting on December 15th, 2020, the TTC Board approved the 2021 Annual Service Plan which included changes to the 121 Fort York - Esplanade bus route. This routing change is anticipated to take effect in October 2021. The revised 121 Fort York – Esplanade buses will serve a nearside stop on southbound River Street at King Street East and then need to merge through the intersection to continue southbound.

River Street, between Queen Street East and King Street East, is classified as a minor arterial roadway that operates with one travel lane, bike lane and a right turn lane in the southbound direction. It has a pavement width of approximately 15.3 metres and a posted speed limit of 40 km/h.

Designating the southbound curb lane on River Street at King Street East as "right turn only, buses excepted" will clearly define lane usage, mitigate any potential vehicular conflicts, and allow for proper enforcement of the respective traffic signs under the Highway Traffic Act.

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

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that:

1. City Council designate the westerly southbound lane on River Street, from King Street East to a point 36 metres north, for southbound right turns only, buses excepted.

Respectfully submitted,

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