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REPORT FOR ACTION

Pay-and-Display Parking - Dundas Street West

Date: August 23, 2021
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Acting Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services
Wards: Ward 4, Parkdale - High Park

SUMMARY

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

Transportation Services is recommending the introduction of pay-and-display parking on both sides of Dundas Street West, between Roncesvalles Avenue and Howard Park Avenue. The proposed parking changes will replace the existing unpaid, one-hour and three-hour time limit parking that is currently in effect. The proposed changes will not impact the flow of traffic and funds for this work are included in the 2021 Toronto Parking Authority Operating Budget. There are currently 54 available on-street parking spaces in this section of Dundas Street West.

Additionally, this report recommends the removal of an accessible loading zone on the south side of Dundas Street West as the applicant who originally requested the loading zone no longer requires this space.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. City Council rescind the existing one-hour maximum parking regulation in effect from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., on the north side of Dundas Street West, between Roncesvalles Avenue and Howard Park Avenue.

2. City Council rescind the existing one-hour maximum parking regulation in effect from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., on the south side of Dundas Street West, between Roncesvalles Avenue and Howard Park Avenue.

3. City Council authorize the installation of parking machines on the north side of Dundas Street West, between Roncesvalles Avenue and Howard Park Avenue, to be in effect from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and from 6:30 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, for a maximum period of three hours and at a rate of \$2.00 per hour.

4. City Council authorize the installation of parking machines on the south side of Dundas Street West, between Roncesvalles Avenue and Howard Park Avenue, to be in effect from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 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, for a maximum period of three hours and at a rate of \$2.00 per hour.

5. City Council rescind the existing accessible loading zone that operates at all times on the south side of Dundas Street West, between a point 39.8 metres west of Ritchie Avenue and a point 10 metres further west.

6. City Council amend the existing stopping prohibition in effect from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, except public holidays, on the north side of Dundas Street West, between a point 30.5 metres north of Bloor Street West and Sorauren Avenue to be in effect on the east side of Dundas Street West, from Bloor Street West and Roncesvalles Avenue.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Funds for this work are included in the 2021 Toronto Parking Authority Operating Budget GL Account # 66000010. All costs associated with the necessary signage installation are included within the Transportation Services 2021 Operating Budget.

DECISION HISTORY

On April 8, 2008, City Council adopted Item TE14.41 (On-Street Loading Zone for Disabled Persons - Dundas Street West) and authorized the installation of an accessible loading zone on the south side of Dundas Street West, between a point 39.8 metres west of Ritchie Avenue and a point 10 metres further west. The City Council decision can be found here:

http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2008.TE14.41

COMMENTS

At the request of the Ward Councillor, on behalf of a local business, Transportation Services investigated the feasibility of providing pay-and-display parking on Dundas Street West, between Roncesvalles Avenue and Howard Park Avenue.

Existing Conditions

Dundas Street West, between Roncesvalles Avenue and Howard Park Avenue, is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a four-lane, east-west major arterial roadway
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of approximately 14 metres
- Streetcar tracks operate on a shared right-of-way in the median lanes
- The daily two-way traffic volume is approximately 20,000 vehicles
- The posted speed limit is 50 km/h
- Heavy trucks are permitted at all times
- There is TTC service provided by the 505 Dundas streetcar route
- Sidewalks are present on both sides of the street, adjacent to the curb lanes
- The land use is generally a mix of small businesses and residential

The by-lawed parking regulations on Dundas Street West, between Roncesvalles Avenue and Howard Park Avenue, are generally as follows:

North Side

- No stopping from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday
- No parking from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday
- One-hour time limit parking from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., daily
- Three-hour time limit parking, all other times

South Side

- 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
- An accessible loading zone operates at all times between a point 39.8 metres west of Ritchie Avenue and a point 10 metres further west
- One-hour time limit parking, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., daily
- Three-hour time limit parking, all other times

Proposed Changes

Transportation Services' assessment disclosed it is feasible to replace the existing unpaid, one-hour and three-hour time limit parking that is currently in effect on the subject section of Dundas Street West and install paid parking as follows:

North Side

• Pay-and-display parking from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and from 6:30 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, for a maximum period of three hours and at a rate of \$2.00 per hour

South Side

• Pay-and-display parking from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 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, for a maximum period of three hours and at a rate of \$2.00 per hour.

This operation is consistent with the pay-and-display parking on Roncesvalles Avenue, south of Dundas Street West. There are no changes proposed to the existing peak period stopping and parking prohibitions. The proposed changes will not impact the flow of traffic and will encourage parking turnover. In this section, there are approximately 29 and 25 parking spaces on the north and south sides of Dundas Street West, respectively.

Additionally, the original applicant requested that the existing accessible loading zone be removed on the south side of Dundas Street West, between a point 39.8 metres west of Ritchie Avenue and a point 10 metres further west, as they no longer require this space.

The Ward Councillor has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Pay-and-Display Parking - Dundas Street West

