

Pay-and-Display Parking - Windsor Street and Buckingham Street

Date: October 9, 2024

To: Etobicoke York Community Council

From: Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 3, Etobicoke-Lakeshore

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter for which Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Toronto Parking Authority (TPA) has worked with Transportation Services to identify new on-street paid parking in Ward 3 that will support the local community and area businesses by providing additional parking for patrons that currently cannot be accommodated within the Mimico GO Station parking lot.

Through this review, Transportation Services is requesting approval for the installation of on-street paid parking at various locations in Ward 3. The proposed parking changes are all within areas that are currently subject to the unsigned three-hour maximum parking regulation and will not impact the flow of traffic.

A companion report, titled "Pay-and-Display Parking – Audley Street and Newcastle Street" outlines the required parking amendments for streets in Ward 3 with Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) service.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. Etobicoke York Community Council authorize the amendments to parking regulations required to establish new on-street paid parking locations, as set out in Attachment 2, to the report "Pay-and-Display Parking – Windsor Street and Buckingham Street" dated October 9, 2024, from the Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

All cost associated with the necessary signage changes are included within the Transportation Services 2024 Operating Budget.

All costs associated with the installation of parking machines will be assumed by the TPA. These recommendations, if fully implemented, are projected to generate an increase in annual gross revenue of up to \$400,000 from the on-street paid parking program.

DECISION HISTORY

This report addresses a new initiative, however, below is a previous decision related to the subject matter:

Etobicoke York Community Council, at its meeting of July 15, 2024, approved parking amendments on Windsor Street and Buckingham Street in the Mimico GO Station Area to prohibit parking on sections of these streets to allow access to the loading areas by large trucks servicing adjacent commercial/industrial properties.

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2024.EY15.19>

COMMENTS

On-street parking spaces are typically the most convenient in serving areas of high demand, including local business areas. Given various concerns regarding the need for overflow parking generated by the Mimico GO Station, the proposed 12-hour stay on-street parking is meant to serve as additional parking for patrons that typically are required to park for longer than three- hours.

Transportation Services and TPA have reviewed the parking regulations at all locations within Ward 3 and have identified locations that would benefit from the introduction of on-street paid parking to better serve area demands and accommodate the maximum number of users. Currently, the proposed locations all have no posted regulations and are subject to the statutory three-hour maximum parking limit at all times.

The proposed paid parking is abutting vacant properties in various stages of the development approvals process, except one block on the north side of Newcastle Street, between Windsor Street and Birmingham Street, which is comprised of existing commercial properties.

Additional off-street parking was to have been provided as part of redevelopment for these properties, including an additional 300 parking spaces allocated for patrons of GO Transit. However, recently the developer has been placed into receivership and future of the redevelopment is currently unknown.

Proposed Changes

New on-street paid parking is proposed on the following streets:

Proposed Paid Parking Ward 3, Etobicoke-Lakeshore

- Buckingham Street – East Side, between a point 80 metres north of Newcastle Street and Portland Street – 18 spaces
- Windsor Street – East Side, between a point 50 metres north of Newcastle Street and Portland Street – 14 spaces
- Windsor Street – East Side, between a point 50 metres north of the south end of Windsor Street and a point 15 metres south of Newcastle Street – 6 spaces

The proposed changes will not impact the flow of traffic and will result in approximately 38 new on-street paid parking spaces.

Several agency partners provided comments on the proposed changes, including Transportation Services and the TTC. There were no comments advising of concerns with the proposed locations. However, the proposed parking is abutting vacant properties that may be subject to future redevelopment which may lead to changes in the area.

These initiatives would not preclude the implementation of paid parking in the near term, however, TPA will re-engage with the relevant agency partners to address any future impacts.

While this report seeks Community Council approval for the installation of on-street paid parking in various locations in Ward 3, this is an ongoing initiative, and Transportation Services and TPA will continue to review and report on potential new on-street paid parking opportunities throughout the City of Toronto.

A map of the area and proposed parking amendments is included in Attachment 1.

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

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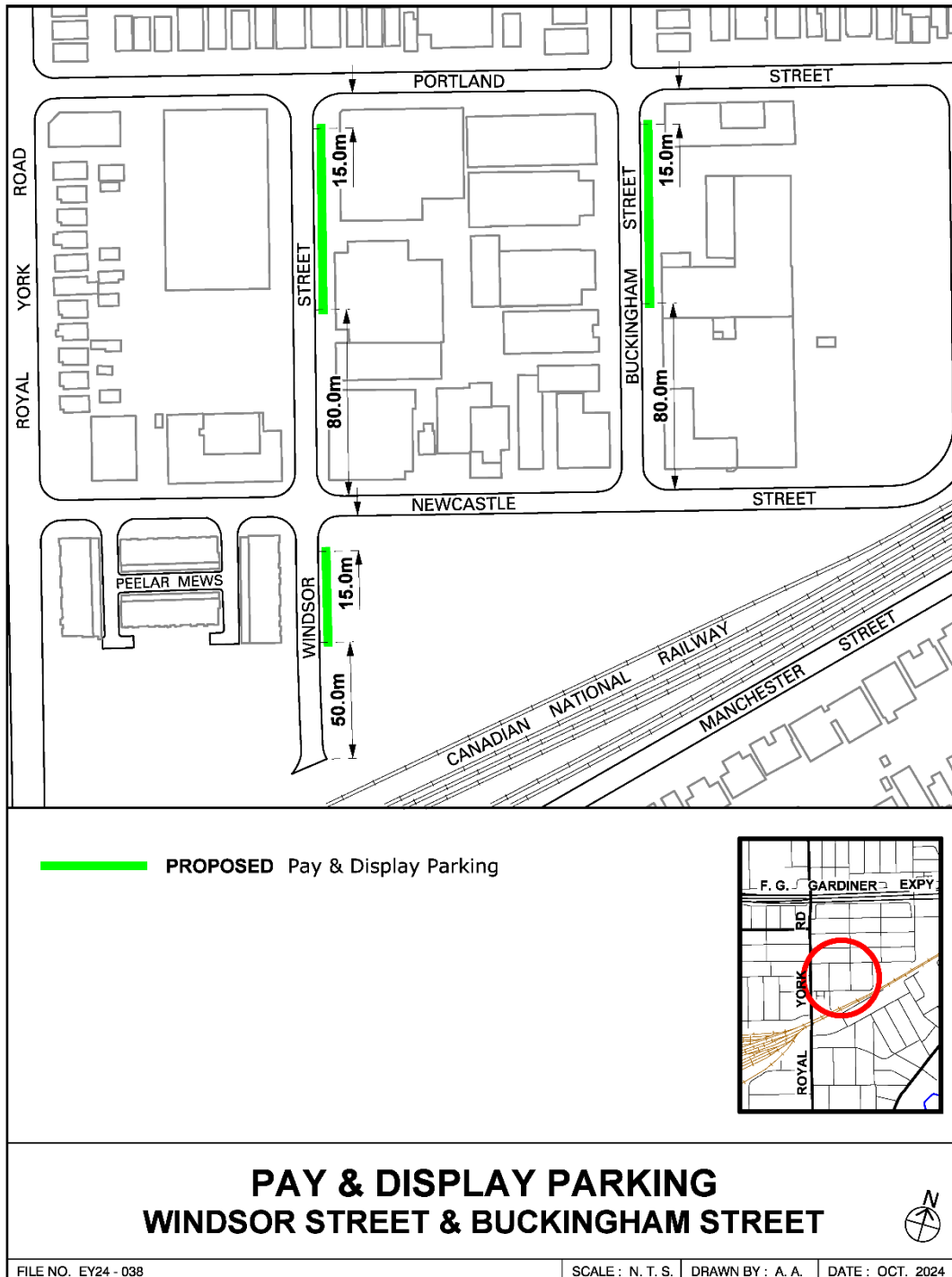
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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Map – Pay-and-Display Parking - Windsor Street and Buckingham Street
Attachment 2: Parking Regulations to be Enacted

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Chapter 910, Schedule I – Parking Machines

Highway	Side Parking	Between	Hours (daily as indicated below)	Fee/Time Limit	Maximum Parking Period
Buckingham Street	East	A point 80 metres north of Newcastle Street and Portland Street	All times	\$5.25 for 12 hours	24 hours
Windsor Street	East	A point 50 metres north of Newcastle Street and Portland Street	All times	\$5.25 for 12 hours	24 hours
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