



City Councillor
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To the Board of Directors, Toronto Parking Authority:

I am writing to express my support for the Board Report PA16.13 titled “*On-Street Parking Rates on Busy Surface Transit Routes in Ward 11*”, prepared in response to my Motion “MM32.6 -*Speeding up Transit in Ward 11*,” brought to Council in July 2025.

Effective curbside management is essential to ensuring our streets work for everyone. More than half the people in my ward do not have personal motor vehicles and rely upon public transit as well as walking and active transportation. Public transit is also how a large number of customers access local businesses. Unfortunately, bus and streetcar service in my ward is seriously hampered by parked cars on arterial roads, resulting in major problems of timeliness and reliability. My constituents are demanding faster, more reliable TTC service, and this problem cannot be solved without looking at parking.

I therefore asked the TPA, in consultation with TTC, to review hours and pricing of Green P parking on roads with busy transit lines in Ward 11. That is what they have done.

It is essential that any changes be fair and based on objective data. I appreciate that Toronto Parking Authority’s proposed adjustments to on-street parking rates and hours along bus and streetcar lines in Ward 11 are based on a thoughtful data-driven review. In most areas, the proposed change is only \$.25 per hour. Even this modest change should encourage short-term parking turnover and improve parking availability to support local businesses, while better reflecting the high value of and competing demands for public space on our roads. Improved availability should reduce congestion and frustration as drivers circle looking for spots and may also reduce interference with surface transit. At the same time, this approach is much less disruptive for local businesses than removing parking from arterial roads, as suggested by the [Board of Trade](#) and international comparisons.

I commend TPA for its responsiveness to Council’s direction and its collaborative work with Transportation Services, the Toronto Transit Commission and other stakeholders. This initiative reflects a shared commitment to enhancing mobility, sustainability, and the overall quality of life in our city.

Sincerely,

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