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# REPORT FOR ACTION

# Removal of Taxicab Stand - Danforth Avenue

**Date:** June 19, 2025

To: Toronto and East York Community Council

From: Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 19, Beaches-East York

### **SUMMARY**

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

Transportation Services is recommending that the existing taxicab stand on the north side of Danforth Avenue, west of Woodbine Avenue, be removed to include this space in the existing paid parking area.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Traffic Management, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council rescind the existing designated taxicab stand regulation in effect at all times except from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Monday to Friday on the north side of Danforth Avenue, west of Woodbine Avenue.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

The signage cost associated with the proposed amendments is approximately \$500.00. Funding is available within the Transportation Services 2025 Operating Budget.

#### **DECISION HISTORY**

This report addresses a new initiative.

#### **COMMENTS**

Transportation Services received a request from the Ward Councillor, on behalf of area residents, to investigate the feasibility of removing the taxicab stand on the north side of Danforth Avenue, west of Woodbine Avenue, to provide an additional on-street paid parking space.

## **Existing Conditions**

Danforth Avenue, west of Woodbine Avenue, is characterized by the following conditions:

- It is a two-lane, east-west, major arterial roadway
- There are also bike lanes located on both sides of the street
- It operates two-way traffic on a pavement width of approximately 16 metres
- The speed limit is 40 km/h
- Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) service is provided by 300 Bloor–Danforth Night Bus
- There are sidewalks located on both sides of the street

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The land use in the area consists of retail and multi-unit residential dwellings. This section of Danforth Avenue is not within a designated Community Safety Zone.

The parking regulations on Danforth Avenue, are as follows:

#### North side

- Parking machines from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday; and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday, between Woodbine Avenue and a point 149 metres west
- Maximum three-hour statutory parking at all other times

#### South side

- Parking machines from 8:00 a.m.to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday; and from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday, between Moberly Avenue and a point 35.7 metres east
- Maximum three-hour statutory parking at all other times

# **Proposed Changes**

The existing taxicab stand on the north side of Danforth Avenue, west of Woodbine Avenue, accommodates one vehicle. Staff conducted site visits in April 2024 and January 2025 to monitor usage of the taxicab stand and concluded that it is rarely used, suggesting it can be removed without impacting taxicab operations. The space gained would be converted to pay-and-display parking, providing additional parking for customers of nearby businesses.

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

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

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#### **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1: Map - Taxicab Removal - 2056 Danforth Avenue

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