

# CORPORATE REPORT

NO: R002 COUNCIL DATE: January 11, 2010

#### **REGULAR COUNCIL**

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: January 5, 2010

FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 5480-19

SUBJECT: Amendments to Highway and Traffic By-law No. 13007 to Allow for Parking Pay

**Stations** 

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department recommends that Council:

- 1. Approve amendments to the Surrey Highway and Traffic By-law, 1997, No. 13007, as documented in Appendix II to this report, which if adopted will permit the use of Parking Pay Stations to collect parking fees in designated parking areas on streets; and
- 2. Authorize the City Clerk to bring forward the necessary amendment By-law for the required readings.

#### **INTENT**

The purpose of this report is to obtain Council approval to bring forward an amendment to the Highway and Traffic By-law (the "By-law") to allow for the use of new "parking pay station" technology in place of traditional "parking meters" in designated areas on Surrey streets.

The existing wording in the Highway and Traffic By-law refers to individual meters which identify the specific parking space to which the fee being paid in the meter applies whereas "parking pay stations" accept payment from motorists who park their automobiles in any of several spots in a designated area of a Surrey street or streets.

#### **BACKGROUND**

On July 27, 2009 Council considered Corporate Report No. R136; 2009, which is attached as Appendix I, and approved the purchase of pay station parking stations from APARC Systems Ltd. for installation in place of parking meters on streets in Surrey. The By-law needs to be amended to allow for the use of parking pay stations in Surrey.

### PROPOSED BY-LAW AMENDMENT:

The necessary amendments to the By-law are documented in Appendix II to this report.

### **Legal Review**

This report and the related By-law amendments have been reviewed by staff of the Legal Services Division and the By-law Enforcement & Licensing Section.

### **CONCLUSION**

Based on the above discussion, it is recommended that Council:

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- 2. Authorize the City Clerk to bring forward the necessary amendment By-law for required readings.

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Appendix I - Corporate Report R136; 2009 Appendix II - Proposed Amendments to the Highway and Traffic By-law

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# APPENDIX II

# Proposed Amendments to Highway and Traffic By-law, 1997, No. 13007, as amended (the "By-law")

The By-law be further amended as follows:

- 1. By adding a new definition of "PARKING PAY STATION" to Section 1 immediately following the existing definition of "PARKING PATROLLER" as follows:
  - "PARKING PAY STATION" means a device operated and maintained by or on behalf of the City for collecting parking fees for parking in, and controlling the use of, pay station areas.
- 2. By adding a new definition of "PAY STATION AREA" to Section 1 immediately following the new definition of "PARKING PAY STATION" as follows:
  - "PAY STATION AREA" means a highway or a portion of a highway designated as such by the Engineer under this By-law where parking is permitted subject to payment of a fee at a parking pay station.
- 3. By inserting the words "parking pay station," to the definition of "TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE" in Section 1 immediately following the word "meter".
- 4. By inserting the words "and parking pay stations" to Section 5(6) immediately following the word "meters".
- 5. By adding a new Section 67.1 immediately following existing Section 67 as follows:

### PARKING PAY STATIONS

- 67.1 (1) Parking pay stations for the purpose of allotting and controlling vehicle parking in pay station areas and measuring and recording the purchase of time for parking may be placed or erected on those highways and other public places specified by order of the Engineer.
  - (2) The fee which shall be paid in each parking pay station shall be set by resolution of the Council from time to time.
  - (3) Each parking pay station shall be installed in proximity to the pay station area regulated thereby. The period of time, the days, and the fee payable for the right to occupy the pay station area shall be clearly set out on each parking pay station.
  - (4) A person who parks in a pay station area must immediately pay the parking fee for that pay station area and the desired time at the nearest parking pay station by any method indicated in the instructions on the parking pay station.

- (5) No person shall park a vehicle within a pay station area for any longer than the amount of time purchased for that vehicle.
- (6) Despite any amount paid, no person shall park a vehicle within a pay station area for any longer than the limited period of time for which parking is lawfully permitted as stated in the legend on the parking pay station.
- (7) Every parking pay station record which indicates that the period for which the prescribed fee has been paid for the parking of a vehicle in a pay station area has expired shall be taken as conclusive evidence that the vehicle found parked in the pay station area is illegally parked and in breach of the provisions of this By-law.
- 6. By adding the following new Section 67.1 of the City of Surrey Highway and Traffic By-law, 1997, No. 13007, offences to Schedule "A" immediately following the existing Section 67(3) offence as follows:

SECTION	DESCRIPTION	PAID BEFORE 7 DAYS	FINE
67.1(4)	Fail to pay fee	\$21.00	\$35.00
67.1(5)	Purchased time expired	\$21.00	\$35.00
67.1(6)	Parking time exceeded	\$21.00	\$35.00