




TO: GENERAL COMMITTEE


SUBJECT: SALVATION ARMY PARKING LOT

WARDS: WARD 2

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RECOMMENDED MOTION

1. That Fees By-law 2014-021 Schedule "J", "Section 5: Parking Fees", "Monthly Permits" be amended for October 1, 2014, by deleting the following:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>2014 APPROVED FEE</u>
Bayfield St. & Maple Ave. Lot	\$75 per month

PURPOSE & BACKGROUND

2. On September 26, 2011, Council passed Direction Memorandum 11-G-277 for the Salvation Army Parking Lot.
- a) That the current lease arrangement remain in effect with the Salvation Army to use their parking lot for general public parking until such time as the recommendations of the Parking Strategy Review have been adopted.
- b) That a new lease be negotiated within six months of the Parking Strategy being adopted.
3. The City parking lot on the Salvation Army property contains 25 parking spaces and is located at 16 Bayfield Street on the west side of Bayfield Street. Facilities staff currently have 2 of the 25 spaces reserved for the Mady Centre. Please refer to Appendix "A".
4. A twelve year lease of the Salvation Army parking lot for City use commenced September 1, 2001 and expired August 31, 2013. In the initial arrangement for the parking lot, the City paid all the capital improvement costs associated with the lot. The City also incurred all operational costs associated with the lot. As such, the agreement was structured so the City collected all revenue associated with the lot.
5. Staff Report ENG 048-11 from September 19, 2011, explains in detail that the Parking Lot was losing approximately \$8,500 annually as the lot was primarily a monthly pass use which provides a discounted fee, and the parking lot is costly to maintain due to the complexities of winter operations.

ANALYSIS

6. Staff from the Finance, Roads Parks and Fleet, City Centre, Facilities and Legal Departments met with the Salvation Army representatives earlier this year to discuss their needs as the lease agreement had expired.
7. During this meeting the Salvation Army explained that they would need approximately 12 -14 spaces of the 25 total spaces for their use only. As the costs to maintain the parking lot with all of the spaces available is not feasible, losing this amount of parking spaces would not be economically feasible moving forward.
8. It was agreed amongst the parties at the meeting that the City of Barrie would no longer provide parking operations. To provide sufficient notification to vehicle owners currently parking within this lot, an October 1, 2014 transfer date has been set to allow staff to perform notification drops to the parked cars in September.
9. Staff recommends that Fees By-law 2014-021 Schedule "J", "Section 5: Parking Fees", "Monthly Permits" be amended for October 1, 2014, by deleting the following:

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10. On October 1, 2014, City staff will be removing all of the existing pay and display machines and information signage from the parking lot and placed back into inventory for use at other parking lots.
11. Facilities, Culture, MLEO and City Centre staff are continuing to negotiate an arrangement with the Salvation Army on maintaining the current Mady Centre reserved parking spaces.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

12. There are no environmental matters related to the recommendation.

ALTERNATIVE

13. The following Alternative is available for consideration by General Committee:

Alternative #1 General Committee could decide not to remove this parking lot from our Fees By-law and continue to operate and maintain the parking lot.

This Alternative is not recommended as in the proposed configuration the City will continue to operate this parking lot at a loss.

FINANCIAL

14. The cost to remove the pay and display machine and associated information signage would be approximately \$500, which can be accommodated in the 2014 Operating Budget.

LINKAGE TO COUNCIL STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

15. The recommendations included in this Staff Report are not specifically related to the goals identified in the 2010-2014 City Council Strategic Plan.

APPENDIX "A"

