Windsor, Ontario April 8, 2013

REPORT NO. 110 of the ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC SAFETY STANDING COMMITTEE

of its meeting held February 20, 2013

Present:

Councillor J. Gignac

Councillor A. Halberstadt

Councillor R. Jones, Councillor H. Payne

Councillor F. Valentinis, Chair

That the following recommendations of the Environment, Transportation and Public Safety Standing Committee **BE APPROVED:**

Moved by Councillor Gignac, seconded by Councillor Halberstadt,

THAT the report by the City Engineer entitled "Erie Street East: Request to
Install Parking Meters – Langlois to Hall" BE RECEIVED for information.

Carried.

<u>Clerk's Note</u>: The report authored by the Policy Analyst dated February 4, 2013 entitled "Erie Street East: Request to Install Parking Meters – Langlois to Hall" is <u>attached</u> as background information.

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Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Standing Committee – Admin Report – Environment Transportation



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To: Environment, Transportation and Public Safety Standing Committee

Erie Street East: Request to Install Parking Meters - Langlois to Hall

1. RECOMMENDATION: City Wide: Ward(s): 4

That the Report by the City Engineer Erie Street East: Request to Install Parking Meters – Langlois to Hall BE RECEIVED for information.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

N/A

Subject:

2. BACKGROUND:

The City has received a letter dated September 24, 2012 from Anthony Como and an accompanying undated petition signed by several owners of businesses on Erie Street requesting that parking meters be installed on Erie Street between Langlois Avenue and Hall Avenue. Several reasons were given for this request:

- The elimination of parking spaces as part of the recent Erie Street streetscaping and roundabout has resulted in parking demand being shifted further east along Erie Street:
- That patrons of businesses further west are parking east of Langlois Avenue in order to avoid meter parking;
- A perception that as a result of these issues, there is a shortage of nearby on-street parking for businesses on Erie Street between Langlois Avenue and Hall Avenue; and
- A perceived shortage of parking for residents living along Erie Street between Langlois Avenue and Hall Avenue.

Currently, west of Langlois Avenue, on-street meter parking is provided on Erie Street (1 hour maximum). East of Langlois Avenue, where parking is provided, it is a mix of unrestricted and time-limited (2 hour) free parking. Additionally, a municipal parking lot (Lot 36, 19 parking

spaces, 3hour maximum, \$2 flat fee after 6pm) is provided at the northeast corner of Erie Street and Langlois Avenue. Between Langlois Avenue and Hall Avenue, on the north-south cross streets, parking is provided on one side. A map of the area showing parking regulations is given as Appendix B.

Streetscaping of Erie Street between Howard Avenue and Langlois Avenue was completed in November, 2011. This work included streetscaping features such as new concrete patios, curb extensions ("bump-outs"), and new trees, as well removal of traffic signals and construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Parent Avenue and Erie Street East. As a consequence, 50 on-street metered parking spaces were removed between Howard Avenue and Langlois Avenue.

3. <u>DISCUSSION</u>:

The concerns expressed in the letter and petition touched on both residential and business parking needs.

A preliminary review indicates that approximately fourteen (14) parking meter spaces could be accommodated on Erie Street between Langlois Avenue and Hall Avenue.

The petition received was signed by a number of area business owners, but has not conclusively established neighbourhood support. The current procedure is to obtain BIA concurrence or 60% neighbourhood support.

Further dialogue with the BIA and abutting property owners is required to determine overall support. Recommendations and bylaw amendments as per the standard procedure will follow accordingly.

4. RISK ANALYSIS:

N/A

5. FINANCIAL MATTERS:

N/A

6. CONSULTATIONS:

Bob Godin, Supervisor of On-Street and Off-Street Parking

7. <u>CONCLUSION</u>:

To determine overall community support for the petitioner's request for meter parking on Erie Street between Langlois Avenue and Hall Avenue, Administration will follow-up with the Erie Street BIA and directly affected property owners.

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Mike Palanacki
Executive Director, Environment &
Operations

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APPENDICES:

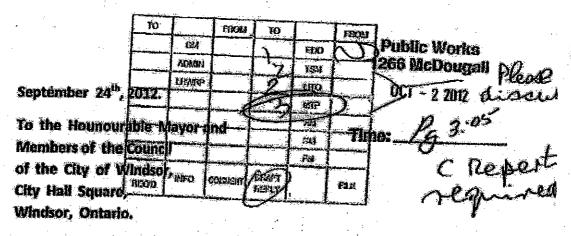
- A) Letter and petition from Erie Street business owners with map
- B) Maps existing Erie Street parking and zoning regulations

DEPARTMENTS/OTHERS CONSULTED:

Name: Traffic Operations / John Wolf

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Since the completion of the construction of the many progections on Erie Street to accommodate-the Restaurants and coffee' shops, eliminating more than 30 parking spaces, the parking problems have been causing many complaints by the business owners who have signed the attached petition which was given to the BIA Associations in order to exercise certain parking control on the remain of Erie Street East, from Langiols to Hall, which was included few years ago', to be part of the BIA in order to have more money for future improvement of Erie Street. At that time we believe that Erie Street will be made uniform not only with the work improvement, but with the extension of the parking meters to control and avoid parking spaces which are taken from before 9:00 A.M. till 5:00 P.M; instead nothing was done and now the situation has become worse due to the elimination of the 26 parking spaces, therefore we do need the extension of the installation of the parking meters to avoid people who are parking their vehicles in those few parking spaces on Eric and playing cards all day in coffee' shops. The owners of the restaurants and coffee' shops should have parking spaces for their patrons, since there is a by-law in force. The fact that the BIA has refused years ago to have the continuation of the installation of the meters from Langiois Avenue to Hall, to be uniform with the rest of Erie St. but they ignore the request. Causing an injustice to the business owners from Langiols to Hall. The people residing from Langlois to Hall are also complaining, because they do not have any parking space on Erie Street, to park their vehicles . I have contacted Mr. John Wolfe the person in charge and he is also in favour because the BIA should treat all the business owners the same by keeping the uniformity of Erie St. exactly the same like the portion of Erie St.

TO THE HONOURABLE CITY COUNCIL OF WINDSOR CITY HALL SOUDER WINDSOR, ONTARIO.

We the undersigned, owners and operators of of business.on Krie Street East (Via Italia) have made our complains to the "Directors of BIA) on the last meeting by requesting installation of the parking meters from Langlis Avenue to Hall Avenue, because the few parking spaces are taken by the same cars day after day for almost all day because are playing cards at the Coffee bars. We have received complains from our patrons who are forced to park their cars three or four blocks away. We believe that we are paying our property and business taxes, therefore we wish to request the extension of the installations of the parking meters. We are not different from the other businesses along Eric Street since parking meters have been there (from Lanlois to Howard Avenue) for many years. Trusting to receive your consent and approval for our urgent request....and we undersigned the aforesaid petition: 1. GENNARO COFFEE

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