



DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

Briefing Notes

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Topic: Status of Potential Partnership with Toronto Parking Authority (TPA) & Paid Parking Lots on TCDSB School Properties.

- At the March 2008 meeting of the Administrative & Corporate Services Committee Staff were directed to prepare a report regarding a potential partnership between the Toronto Parking Authority and TCDSB.
- TCDSB has had a parking agreement in place with Toronto Parking Authority (TPA) at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School since 2005. The operation of the parking lot after school hours, on weekends and during public holidays runs well as a result of the TPA providing parking enforcement officers to patrol the lot to ensure no unauthorized vehicle operators are using the school parking lot during prohibited hours.
- Discussions with TPA and Board staff regarding TPA potential interest in operating multiple municipal paid parking lots on other TCDSB school sites has revealed that TPA has no interest in a general contract approach as it is not a priority for them. They indicated that as they complete further needs assessments in high traffic areas with insufficient parking facilities they may in the future approach TCDSB when identifying a specific school site of interest for a possible municipal parking proposal.
- Board Staff have prepared a "Request for Proposals (RFP)" to identify qualified, experienced parking lot operating companies that may be interested in operating paid parking lots on TCDSB properties in a manner that would be economically advantageous for both TCDSB and a potential parking lot operator. This RFP will be circulated shortly in accordance with TCDSB Materials Management policy to a number of experienced parking lot operators to determine interest. The results of the RFP and any subsequent discussions/negotiations will be the subject of a further report to Board.