

## GOVERNANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

# RESCINDMENT OF POLICY ON PARKING – CHURCH USE G.B.05

Then God said "Let there be light"; and there was light. Genesis 1:3

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#### RECOMMENDATION REPORT

#### Vision

At Toronto Catholic we transform the world through witness, faith, innovation and action.

#### Mission:

The Toronto Catholic District School Board is an inclusive learning community uniting home, parish and school and rooted in the love of Christ.

We educate students to grow in grace and knowledge to lead lives of faith, hope and charity.



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#### A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report recommends the rescindment of TCDSB Policy G.B.05 (Parking - Church Use). This policy has been superseded by the Master Shared Parking Agreement (MSPA) between the Board and Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation For The Diocese Of Toronto ("RCEC"), which governs parish parking on TCDSB properties.

The cumulative staff time required to prepare this report was 3 hours.

## **B.** PURPOSE

This recommendation report is on the Order Paper of the Governance and Policy Committee as it recommends the rescindment of Policy G.B.05 (Parking - Church Use), which subject to a Shared Parking Agreement between the Board and Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for The Diocese Of Toronto ("RCEC").

## C. BACKGROUND

- 1. Prior to 1986, there was no formal arrangement between TCDSB and the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation allowing access to school Board property for overflow parking from the adjacent parish.
- 2. On June 19th, 1986 without any subsequent revisions, TCDSB Policy G.B.05 (Parking Church Use) was adopted to create a shared parking arrangement between TCDSB and the RCEC.
- 3. The Policy states that parishioners of the adjacent Church shall be permitted to use the school yard for parking, provided it does not conflict with the academic operation of the school concerned and the RCEC shall indemnify the Board, protecting it against any liability which might arise during the school yard being used as a parking area by parishioners (see *Appendix "A"*).

#### D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS

1. On May 1, 1997, the Board and RCEC entered into a formal Master Shared Parking Agreement, for shared parking access encompassing several

TCDSB and adjacent parish sites.

- 2. The MSPA recognizes the inability of each party to provide adequate parking on certain properties to meet the demands created by the use of properties from time to time.
- 3. The Shared Parking Agreement formalizes the relationship between the Board and RCEC in co-operating with each other to promote shared use of and access to certain properties for the purpose of parking vehicles on an occasional basis. It also regulates provisions, including, but not limited to, maintenance, hours of use and insurance.
- 4. The MSPA is an umbrella agreement, and as such the Board and RCEC reserve the right, from time to time, to amend the agreement to add and/or terminate individual sites, as required.
- 5. The Master Shared Parking Agreement succeeds the need for TCDSB Policy G.B.05 (Parking Church Use).

#### E. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that TCDSB Parking - Church Use Policy G.B.05 (Appendix A) be rescinded, as the provisions of this policy are addressed by the Board's Master Shared Use Parking Agreement with the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation.