

# TORONTO TRANSIT COMMISSION REPORT NO.

**MEETING DATE:** December 17, 2008

**SUBJECT:** SERVICE ON NEW YEAR'S EVE, DECEMBER 31, 2008

## **INFORMATION ITEM**

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### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Commission:

1. Note that TTC service for New Year's Eve, December 31, 2008 will be operated later, until approximately 4:00 a.m. on the subway and on most bus and streetcar routes; and
2. Forward this report to GO Transit, Brampton Transit, Durham Region Transit, Mississauga Transit, York Region Transit, and Metrolinx.

### **FUNDING**

Sufficient funds have been included in the 2008 TTC Operating Budget to operate these special services.

### **BACKGROUND**

Every year, TTC operates special services on New Year's Eve to meet customers' demand. This report describes these service changes.

### **DISCUSSION**

#### **Service levels**

On Wednesday, December 31, 2008, New Year's Eve service has been scheduled in much the same manner as recent years. Because it is a weekday, the normal weekday network of TTC routes will be operated. Service during the morning peak period will be the same as a normal weekday.

Ridership patterns from previous years show that people begin to leave work early, starting around noon, and so afternoon peak period service will begin at about 12:00 noon and will be scheduled to run to approximately 5:00 p.m. Service levels during this early homebound afternoon peak period will be reduced slightly, compared to a normal afternoon peak period. Evening service levels on all TTC routes will start at approximately 5:00 p.m., about two hours earlier than normal, as peak period ridership ends earlier on New Year's Eve than on normal weekdays.

To accommodate customers celebrating the New Year, late evening service on all TTC routes will be extended to approximately 4:00 a.m., instead of the usual 1:30 a.m. end of service.

The last trains on the 1 YONGE-UNIVERSITY-SPADINA SUBWAY will leave Union Station at 3:30 a.m. for Finch Station and 3:34 a.m. for Downsview Station. The last northbound train on the 1 YONGE-UNIVERSITY-SPADINA SUBWAY will connect at Bloor-Yonge Station with the last eastbound and westbound trains on the 2 BLOOR-DANFORTH SUBWAY, and at Sheppard-Yonge Station with the last eastbound train on the 4 SHEPPARD SUBWAY.

The last trains on the 2 BLOOR-DANFORTH SUBWAY will leave Bloor-Yonge Station at 3:37 a.m. for Kipling Station and at 3:37 a.m. for Kennedy Station. The last eastbound train on the 2 BLOOR-DANFORTH SUBWAY will connect at Kennedy Station with the last eastbound train on the 3 SCARBOROUGH RT.

The last train on the 3 SCARBOROUGH RT will leave Kennedy Station at 4:05 a.m. for McCowan Station. The last train on the 4 SHEPPARD SUBWAY will leave Sheppard-Yonge Station at 3:58 a.m. for Don Mills Station.

Overnight bus service on the 320 YONGE and 300 BLOOR-DANFORTH routes operates after the last subway trains.

**SUMMARY**

The service scheduled for Wednesday, December 31, 2008, New Year's Eve will help to accommodate customers demand on this day.

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