

On-Street Parking Permits on Kenny Avenue (Lakeshore-Queensway)

(City Council on November 23, 24 and 25, 1999, adopted this Clause, without amendment.)

The Etobicoke Community Council recommends the adoption of the following report (November 9, 1999) from the Director of Transportation Services, District 2:

Purpose:

To propose on-street parking permits on Kenny Avenue, between Newcastle Street and the south limit of the road.

Financial Implications and Impact Statement:

The funds associated with the installation of the appropriate regulatory signs are allocated in the Transportation Services Division Operating Budget.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- (1) on-street parking permits be introduced on the west side of Kenny Avenue, between Newcastle Street and the south limit of the road; and,*
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.*

Background:

The Transportation Services Division received correspondence from Mr. Keith Murray of 26 Kenny Avenue (Attachment No. 1). In his correspondence, Mr. Murray requested on-street parking permits for Kenny Avenue (Attachment No. 3).

In response to this request, and to obtain residents opinion on this issue (Attachment No. 2), we polled the four existing dwellings on the west side of Kenny Avenue. There were three responses to the poll, and all three supported on-street parking permits on the west side of the street.

Comments:

Kenny Avenue is a two-lane local road. Parking is allowed on both sides of the street for to a maximum of three hours.

Land use in the immediate area is predominantly residential. As described previously, four single-family residences occupy the west side of Kenny Avenue. A senior citizen's apartment

building is located on the east side of Kenny Avenue, with driveway access to both Kenny Avenue and Newcastle Street.

Section 183-38 of the Etobicoke Municipal Code prohibits the issuance of on-street parking permits in areas with sufficient off-street parking facilities. While the four residential properties surveyed in this report supply vehicle parking according to the minimum requirements specified in the Town of Mimico section of the Etobicoke Zoning Code, residents advised us that current levels of automobile ownership are higher than the existing standard, and that adequate off-street parking cannot be provided.

To ensure the safe movement of automobiles and emergency vehicles, and to ensure adequate sight lines, it is normally our practice to prohibit parking on one side of the street on roads where on-street parking permits are introduced. In this case, however, the existing pavement width of Kenny Avenue is sufficient to accommodate parking on the east side of the street without detriment to traffic operations.

Conclusions:

The on-street parking permit program provides an alternative source of vehicle parking for residents who cannot provide adequate parking on their property. Current levels of residential parking demand on Kenny Avenue are greater than can realistically be satisfied by the available supply of off-street parking.

Based on the staff investigation of this matter and the favourable consensus of Kenny Avenue residents, Council's endorsement of our recommendations is appropriate.

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(A copy of each of Attachments Nos. 1 to 3, referred to in the foregoing report, was forwarded to all Members of Council with the agenda for the Etobicoke Community Council meeting of November 9, 1999, and a copy of each is on file in the office of the City Clerk.)