

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

101 Colin Avenue – Residential Boulevard Parking Appeal for a Second Vehicle

Date:	January 25, 2007
To:	Toronto and East York Community Counicl
From:	Manager, Right of Way Management, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	St. Paul's – Ward 22
Reference Number:	Te07007te.row

SUMMARY

This report considers an appeal for residential boulevard parking for a second vehicle at 101 Colin Avenue.

Staff do not recommend parking of a second vehicle at this location because it does not meet the requirements of the Code. The owner will be given an opportunity to make a deputation before Community Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Council:

1. deny the request for residential boulevard parking for a second vehicle at 101 Colin Avenue.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The property owner of 101 Colin Avenue submitted an application for residential boulevard parking for a second vehicle at this location. The applicant was advised that the property was not eligible for a second residential boulevard parking as the property was licensed for one vehicle on June 1993. The current regulations do not permit the licensing of more than one vehicle.

COMMENTS

Applicable regulations

Residential boulevard parking is governed by the criteria set out in the former City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 313, Streets and Sidewalks:

- prohibit residential boulevard parking where the property is located within an area authorized for permit parking;
- prohibit residential boulevard parking where the property has access to an existing parking facility or where adequate space for parking can be provided on the lot;
- limit the number of vehicles that can be licensed to one; and
- parking area paved with semi-permeable material such as ecostone or turf stone or equivalent permeable paving treatment acceptable to the General Manager or Transportation Services.

Reasons for not approving

The property does not meet the criteria of the Code for the following reasons:

- the property is located on a street that is authorized for permit parking on the same side of the street;
- the additional parking space can be accommodated in the side yard;
- the proposal is for more than one vehicle; and
- the existing concrete paving does not meet the City's paving requirements.

Poll results

A poll was conducted in accordance with the former City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 90, Polling and Notification Procedures. The area polled was on both sides of Colin Avenue from 77 to 101 on the odd side, and from 86 to 106, on the even side. The deadline for receiving the ballots was October 2, 2006.

# of ballots mailed out	38	# of ballots in favour	13
# of responses	15	# of ballots opposed	2
# of no responses	18	# of ballots returned by post office	5

The majority of the ballots cast were in favour of this application.

Other factors

This property is located within an area authorized permit parking.

In addition, on this portion of Colin Avenue, between Hillsdale Avenue West and Tranmer Avenue, there is one property licensed for driveway widening and one property licensed for residential boulevard parking. One of these properties is licensed for two vehicles.

A review of this application has determined that it would not be feasible to plant an additional tree in the front yard at this property.

One downspout at the side of this property has been disconnected by the homeowner in the accordance with the requirements of the Downspout Disconnection Program.

The proposal for residential boulevard parking for two vehicles is shown on Appendix 'A', the property data map is shown on Appendix 'B', digital photos of the property are shown on Appendix 'C' and the applicant's landscape proposal is shown on Appendix 'D'.

Alternate recommendations

While the property is not eligible for residential boulevard parking because it does not meet the requirements of the Municipal Code, the property could meet the other physical requirements of the Code, (i.e., set back and landscaping requirements).

Should your Community Council decide to grant the appeal for residential boulevard parking for a second vehicle at 101 Colin Avenue, it could recommend that:

- 1. the parking areas not exceed 4.7 m by 2.4 m in dimension;
- 2. the parking area paved with semi-permeable material such as ecostone pavers or equivalent permeable paving treatment acceptable to the General Manager or Transportation Services;
- 3. the applicant provide the landscape features substantially in accordance with the plan as shown on Appendix 'D', to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Transportation Services; and
- 4. the applicant pay all applicable fees and complies with all other criteria set out in the former City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 313, Streets and Sidewalks.

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ATTACHMENTS

Appendix 'A' – sketch

Appendix 'B' – property data map

Appendix 'C' – photos

Appendix 'D' – applicant's landscape proposal

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