

**Introduction of Overnight On-Street Permit Parking –
Belsize Drive**

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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter which Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

Transportation Services has investigated the feasibility of introducing overnight on-street permit parking on the south side of Belsize Drive, between Hadley Road and Harwood Road, under the operating hours of 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., 7 days a week.

Staff's assessment indicates that under the provisions of the Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 925, Permit Parking and Chapter 190, Polling and Notifications, that the majority required in the polling results have not been met. Therefore, the introduction of permit parking on Belsize Drive is not recommended.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council:

1. not authorize the introduction of overnight on-street permit parking on Belsize Drive, between Hadley Road and Harwood Road;

Financial Impact

The adoption of the above-noted recommendation has no financial impact. If, however, Toronto and East York Community Council decides to proceed with the introduction of

overnight on-street permit parking on Belsize Drive, the following financial impact will result:

1. The estimated cost for installing the appropriate street signage would amount to \$150.00. These funds are available within the Transportation Services 2008 operating budget.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

A request was received from Councillor Michael Walker, on behalf of area residents for the introduction of overnight on-street permit parking on Belsize Drive, between Hadley Road and Harwood Road, with the operating hours of 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., 7 days a week.

COMMENTS

Belsize Drive, between Hadley Road and Harwood Road, is a local street operating in a two-way east/westbound direction with a pavement width of 8.5 metres. There is no TTC service on Belsize Drive. Parking is allowed for a maximum period of 1 hour from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday and is allowed for a maximum period of three hours at all other times. Parking is prohibited at all times on the north side of Belsize Drive.

Under the provisions of the Municipal Code, Chapter 925, Permit Parking, we are required to conduct a poll of the residents to determine if there is support to introduce permit parking.

Ballots were mailed on March 28, 2008, with the last day for filing a response being April 28, 2008. The results of the poll are as follows:

Polling Summary

Ballots cast		21
Opposed	10	
In favour	11	
No response		19
Returned by post office		1
Total ballots issued		41

A field survey has determined that there are six (6) potential on-street parking spaces available on the south side of Belsize Drive, between Hadley Road and Harwood Road.

Under the provisions of Chapter 190, Polling and Notification, 50 percent plus one of the accepted ballots must vote in favour of the proposal in order to proceed with the introduction of permit parking. In this case 12 votes in favour of the proposal would be needed in order to meet the 50 percent plus one requirement. Since only 11 votes were in favour of the proposal, permit parking cannot be implemented.

ALTERNATE RECOMMENDATIONS

If Toronto and East York Community Council determines that the introduction of overnight on-street permit parking on Belsize Drive, between Hadley Road and Harwood Road would be beneficial, the following alternate recommendation should be adopted:

1. Schedule A of Municipal Code Chapter 925, Permit Parking, be amended to incorporate Belsize Drive, between Hadley Road and Harwood Road to operate on the south side during the hours of 12:01 a.m to 7:00 a.m., 7 days a week.

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ATTACHMENTS

Appendix 'A' – area map

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