

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Request for an exemption from Chapter 918 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code – To permit a front yard parking pad at 441 Castlefield Avenue

Date:	August 17, 2009
To:	North York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, North York District
Wards:	Ward 16 – Eglinton-Lawrence
Reference Number:	ny09052

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that the community council has delegated authority to make a final decision provided that it is not amended so that it varies with City policy or by-laws.

To report on a request for an exemption from Chapter 918 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code, to permit a front yard parking pad at 441 Castlefield Avenue which does not meet the requirements of the Code. As this is an appeal and a request for an exemption from the by-law, it is scheduled as a deputation item.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services, North York District recommends that:

1. The appeal for exemption from Chapter 918 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code to permit front yard parking at 441 Castlefield Avenue be denied by North York Community Council as on-street parking permits are available for this property.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

DECISION HISTORY

On July 10, 2008, the owner submitted an appeal for a front yard parking pad with the dimensions of 2.6 m by 5.9 m with a 0.3 m setback from the front stairs at 441 Castlefield Avenue which does not qualify as on-street parking permits are available for this property. As required, a poll was conducted to determine if there is neighbourhood support for the proposal. The poll was successful as 50% of the ballots were returned of which the majority of the responses were in favour of the proposal, 98 ballots were mailed out, 49 were required to be returned, 54 were actually returned, with 54 ballots in favour.

There is on-street parking available for this property as the on-street parking permits for Castlefield Avenue are currently subscribed at 50.3% (a total 153 permits available of which 77 permits have been issued). There is no downspout being maintained that affects the public right of way.

COMMENTS

The proposal for a front yard parking pad at this location does not comply with the requirements of the Municipal Code there is on-street parking facility available for 441 Castlefield Avenue.

Staff cannot issue a front yard parking permit for this location as it does not meet the requirements of the Municipal Code.

Councillor Karen Stintz has been advised of the contents of this staff report.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Site plan showing proposal for front yard parking pad (ny09052_drawing)