

NOTICE OF MOTION

72 Chudleigh Avenue – Front Yard Parking

Moved by: **Councillor Karen Stintz**

Seconded by: **Councillor John Parker**

SUMMARY:

The residents of 72 Chudleigh Avenue applied for a front-yard parking permit in the summer of 2009. According to the policy for the City of Toronto, a poll of local residents must be conducted to determine if there is sufficient neighbourhood support for the application.

Ballots were mailed out on September 2, 2009 with the last date for filing a response being October 2, 2009. The following is the poll result:

Total polled	118
Returned	1
Eligible Voters	117
Number of Returned Ballots needed to proceed (50%)	59
Actual Number of Returned Ballots	54
In Favour of Front Yard Parking	38
Opposed to Front Yard Parking	15
Spoiled Ballots	1
No Reply	63

The poll failed because it did not meet the minimum response rate by 5 ballots. However, it must be noted that even if the five ballots returned were in the negative, a significant majority of residents would have been in favour of the front-yard pad.

The application at this location meets every other city policy with respect to front-yard parking.

During the process, many residents contacted the office and wanted to know why each member of the household was receiving a ballot, since some members of households were mailed a poll even if they no longer resided in the household.

Given the fact that the poll would have been successful even if the five required responses were in the negative, the poll should be set aside.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. City Council set aside the results of the poll conducted for front yard parking.
2. City Staff be directed to:
 - a. process the application in accordance with the remaining provisions of Chapter 918 of the Municipal Code; and
 - b. advise the applicant to pay all applicable fees.

Date of Meeting: January 12, 2010