Davenport Road between Lansdowne Avenue and Lightbourn Avenue - Introduction of On-Street Permit Parking

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To: Etobicoke York Community Council
From: Director, Transportation Services Etobicoke York District
Wards: Ward 17 – Davenport
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SUMMARY
The purpose of this report is to inform Etobicoke York Community Council of a request for on-street parking permits on the south side of Davenport Road, between Lansdowne Avenue and Lightbourn Avenue and to recommend the implementation of same.

A survey of area residents shows that nearly two-thirds of survey respondents favour on-street parking permits on the south side of the street, effective between the hours of 12:01 a.m. and 7:00 a.m., seven days a week.

Introducing on-street parking permits on Davenport Road, between Lansdowne Avenue and Lightbourn Avenue provides an additional 32 on-street parking permit stalls within parking permit area 3E.

The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) provides service on Davenport Road; therefore this request requires Toronto City Council approval. The TTC was notified of this proposal and does not object to the introduction of permit parking.

RECOMMENDATIONS
Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council approve on-street parking permits on the south side of Davenport Road, between Lansdowne Avenue and Lightbourn Avenue, within permit parking area 3E, effective between the hours of 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., seven days a week.
Financial Impact
There are no financial implications resulting from adopting this report.

COMMENTS
At the request of Councillor Palacio, Transportation staff reviewed the possible introduction of on-street parking permits on the south side of Davenport Road, between Lansdowne Avenue and Lightbourn Avenue.

At present, there are no parking regulations posted on the south side of Davenport Road, between Lansdowne Avenue and Lightbourn Avenue. The three-hour parking limit is currently in effect at this location.

The current on-street parking permit bylaw that now forms Chapter 925 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code was introduced in January 2007. Since we received this request before enactment of Chapter 925, it has been processed under the provisions of Chapter 400 of the former City of Toronto Municipal Code.

The former Toronto Municipal Code requires that we conduct a survey of area residents to determine if the surrounding neighbourhood supports the program. To determine support for this proposal, we conducted a survey (poll) of all residents listed in the City’s assessment information system who either own property or reside on both sides of Davenport Road, between Lansdowne Avenue and Lightbourn Avenue. We conducted the survey according to the requirements of City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 190 “Polling and Notification.”

At the Ward Councillor’s request, survey questionnaires were distributed in English, French, Italian and Portuguese.

We present the survey results in the following table:

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<th>Total Ballots Mailed</th>
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<td>Valid Ballots Returned</td>
<td>71</td>
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<td>Respondents in Favour</td>
<td>44 (62%)</td>
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<td>Respondents Opposed</td>
<td>27 (38%)</td>
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Thirty-five per cent of all persons surveyed responded to our questionnaire. Sixty-two per cent of respondents indicate that they support on-street parking permits on the south side of Davenport Road, between Lansdowne Avenue and Lightbourn Avenue, effective during the hours of 12:01 a.m. to 7:00 a.m., seven days a week, within permit parking area 3E.

Using an on-street permit parking stall length of 5.5 metres, our field surveys show that introducing on-street parking permits on the south side of Davenport Road, between Lansdowne Avenue and Lightbourn Avenue, creates an additional thirty-two on-street parking permit stalls within permit parking area 3E, increasing the supply of on-street parking permits from 702 stalls to 734 stalls.
The TTC advises us that they have no objections to introducing on-street parking permits on this section of Davenport Road.

We have determined that this section of Davenport Road can be used for on-street parking permit purposes without any significant negative impact on traffic operations.

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ATTACHMENTS

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