

Providing More Overnight On-Street Permit Parking in Toronto & East York District

Public Feedback Survey



Drop your completed form at the registration table, or mail using a prepaid envelope by May 31, 2018.

Alternatively complete the survey online at toronto.ca/TEYpermitparking

In October 2017, Toronto and East York Community Council directed City staff to solicit feedback from residents on the proposal to provide Overnight Residential On-street Permit Parking on streets that do not have permit parking in Toronto and East York District.

We invite you to share your opinion by taking this survey. The same information in this survey will be included at each of four public meetings being hosted in April.

The survey takes about 10 minutes to complete.

It includes basic information to help you understand the proposal:

- Current overnight on-street permit parking program
- Current by-laws and process to add a street into the permit parking program
- The proposal from Toronto & East York Community Council to add more streets into the permit parking program

Survey questions will include your location, existing parking situation, and your opinion on the current by-law and process, and the new proposal.

Please only submit the survey once.

This survey is not a vote.

Public opinions will be collected and summarized in a report to Toronto & East York Community Council who will decide on the next steps.

If you have any questions or technical challenges using this survey, please contact Jason.Diceman@toronto.ca 416-338-2830

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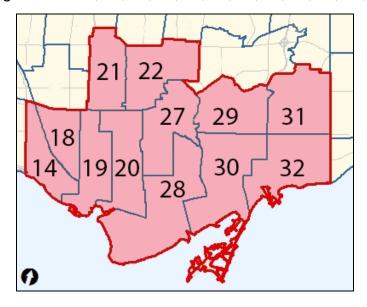
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Location

This public consultation is focused on residents in the Toronto & East York District.

This includes the following wards – 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32. See map.



Where do you live?

These questions are optional. Your answers will be kept private and will only be used to recognize trends in opinions by location in the city.

- 1. Please provide the street name of your primary home address:
- 2. Please enter the first three characters of your postal code (e.g. M5H): _____

Overview of the Current Overnight On-Street Permit Parking Program

The objectives of the Overnight On-Street Permit Parking Program include:

- Organizing use of the curb space
- Promoting safe and efficient traffic flow
- Supporting City operations (like waste collection and snow clearing)
- Minimizing abuse of this public asset

By default, every City street has a maximum 3 hour limit for overnight parking, unless posted otherwise.

Parking permits allow residents to legally park overnight on a permitted street or on streets within a designated area. A valid permit also exempts vehicles from daytime maximum parking durations.

Parking permits are beneficial for residents who do not have on-site parking or access to on-site parking, e.g. no driveway or garage; driveway too narrow for vehicle.

How the Current Permitting System Works

- 1. Resident or visitor applies for an on-street parking permit.
- 2. City determines if space on that specific street or permit-area is physically available.
- 3. If space is available, then a permit is issued:
 - 1. A **permanent** permit is mailed; the permit sticker placed on windshield; identifies the specific street or permit area the permit holder can park within; or
 - A temporary permit is sent via email; permit is printed by holder; placed on vehicle dashboard; permit identifies the specific street or permit area the permit holder can park within
 - 3. Applications for permanent permits are prioritized first. Any remaining spaces are allocated for temporary permits.
- 4. Nightly pro-active enforcement is undertaken on "permitted" streets police ticketing illegally parked vehicles.



Permit Fees

Permanent (six or 12 month) permits:

- \$15.44 per month for first vehicle
- \$38.66 per month for second and subsequent vehicles
- \$54.12 per month if resident has access to on-site parking (permit is for convenience)

Temporary resident or visitor permits:

- \$9.23 for a 24 hour permit
- \$13.85 for 48 hour permit
- \$21.63 for a 7 day permit

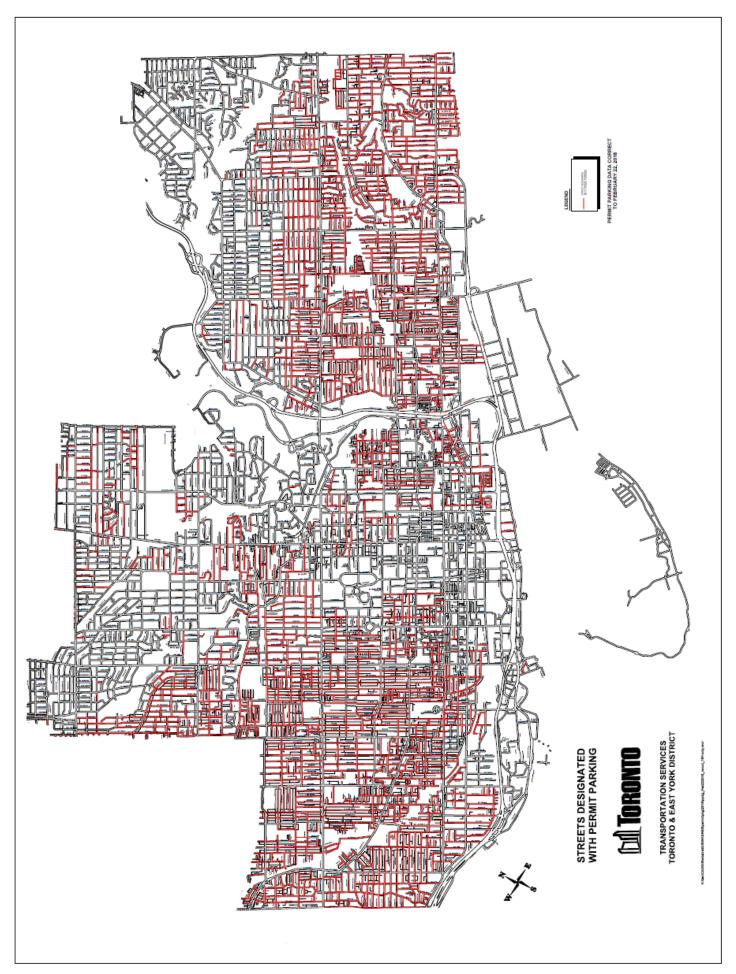
Fees are subject to change, as approved by City Council.

Streets in the Residential On-Street Parking Program

- The permit system applies to residential streets (i.e. local roads primarily with houses not major streets)
- In Toronto & East York District, over 60% of the local roads currently have permit parking
- Time limits are often customized to local needs

Shown in the map on next page, red highlighted streets have permit parking.





How a New Street is Added to the Permit Parking Program

The current by-law 925-4-B describes two processes to add streets into the program:

- 1. Resident-driven Petition and Poll requires approval by Community Council
- 2. Councillor-led Request requires approval by City Council

Resident-driven Petition and Poll

- 1) **Residents submit a petition** to the City, signed by a minimum of 25% of households on the street
- 2) **City will conduct a formal poll by mail** to determine if most residents wish to add the street into the permit parking program.
 - Positive polling result requires 25% ballots returned.
 Of the ballots received, 50% + 1 agree
 Staff must report to Community Council for approval of permit parking
 - Negative polling result less than 50% support
 Permit parking is not introduced and no further petition can take place for a period of two years

Councillor-led Request

- Ward Councillor submits a written request to City staff to add street(s) into the overnight on-street permit parking program
- 2. Staff will review and confirm if the street(s) can be included into the program
- 3. The request is presented to Community Council and City Council for approval

Councillor requests are very rare.

What is Being Proposed

Toronto & East York District Community Council directed staff to consult with residents on providing more Residential Overnight On-street Permit Parking on streets that do not have permit parking. In other words:

- All local residential roads in the Toronto and East York District would be added the overnight on-street permit parking program; to park on the street overnight drivers would need to obtain a permit.
- 2. The resident-driven petition and polling, and Councillor-led request process, will no longer be required.



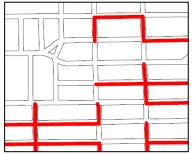
Why this Change is Being Proposed

- Currently, in the Toronto and East York District, some streets have overnight on-street permit
 parking, while other do not.
- These gaps limit opportunities for residents and their guests to legally park overnight near their homes.
- In other words, individual residents in the same neighbourhood do not have an equal opportunity to park overnight
- The existing resident petition-poll or Councillor request process is not sufficient to provide for these needs.

Challenges Related to an Inconsistent Overnight Permit Parking Program

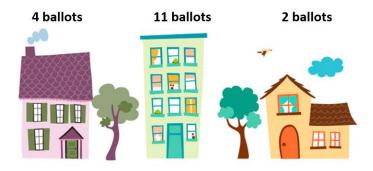
- Permit holders on a street without permit signs have to park further from their home, and put pressure on their neighbouring streets.
- Competition on limited streets increases the chance everyone will have to walk further.
- Residential streets near popular destinations have more demand for parking from visitors, making it more difficult for residents to park overnight. Permit parking can often resolve this issue.
- Un-permitted streets that are near to permitted streets may attract more cars to park illegally "for free".

To the right is an example map of a neighbourhood area where permit parking is only available on segments of some streets and not others.



Challenges Related to the Existing Petition and Polling Process

- Requires extensive administrative and communications work from both residents and City staff
- Low participation often does not meet 25% minimum threshold of ballots returned
- On streets with a mix of building types, a minority of residents who need permit parking may find it difficult to win a poll





Questions

1.	Do you live on a street with overnight on-street permit parking?
	□ Yes □ No
	□ Not sure
	□ Not Suie
2.	Do you have, or have you ever had, an overnight on-street parking permit? Yes – I currently have a permanent 6 or 12 month permit Yes – In the past, I had a permanent 6 or 12 month permit Yes – I at times I have obtained a temporary on-street parking permit No – I have sufficient parking on site No – I do not own a vehicle Other, please specify Skip to Question #4 if you answered "No"
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3.	 Why do you use overnight on-street permit parking? (check all that apply) On-site parking is not possible/practical Need space for another vehicle Unable to install front-yard parking Convenience (I have on-site parking, I want the convenience to park on-street) Parking access for visitor vehicles (temporary permit) Other, please specify
4.	How difficult is it to find a convenient parking space on your street on most evenings? □ Very difficult □ Somewhat difficult □ Somewhat easy □ Very easy
5.	How familiar are you with the existing parking permit petition-poll process? (check all that apply) □ I have participated in a permit petition-poll process □ I have heard stories from other's experience with the permit petition-poll process □ I have read about the permit petition-poll process □ I am not very familiar with permit petition-poll process
6.	How do you feel about the current permit petition-poll process ☐ Perfect, works just fine ☐ Ok, but could use improvement ☐ Not ok, definitely needs improvement ☐ Poor, drastic overhaul needed ☐ Very poor, get rid of it ☐ I have no opinion

□ Unsure					
8. What do you think of the following potential o permit parking on all local residential streets (check one box in each row below)					
Statements:	Benefit ++	+	Neutral +/-	-	Drawback
All residents who need to park on the street will be treated the same					
Regulations will be enforced more frequently (ticketing by police)					
Is a viable alternative to front-yard parking					
Provides choice for residents with limited or no access to on-site parking					
Provides convenience for permit holder to park near their home					
Manages supply of parking spaces in neighbourhoods with a high-demand for on-street parking					
Benefits all road users, and prioritizes local residents over guests and visitors					
Encourages those with a parking space on their property to use it, rather than the public street					
Local residents who park illegally overnight, will now be required to pay for a permit					
Removes the resident-driven petition and polling process					
Removes the Councillor-led request process					

7. Do you agree with the proposal to provide overnight on-street permit parking on all

remaining local residential streets in Toronto and East York district?

□ Strongly Agree

□ Strongly Disagree

□ Agree□ Neutral□ Disagree

9. Any other comments?		
About You (Optional)		
10. What is your age?□ Under 15 years□ 15-24 years□ 25-34 years	□ 35-44 years□ 45-54 years□ 55-64 years	□ 65-74 years□ 75-84 years□ 85 years and older
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	Poster or Flyer		Email/Newsletter
	Business or Community		Toronto Parking Permit web page
	Organization		Other Website
	Twitter		Word of Mouth
	Facebook		Other, please specify
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THANK YOU!

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