

Wednesday, May 28, 2024

Toronto and East York Community Council
City Hall, Committee Room 1
100 Queen Street West
Toronto ON M5H 2N2

Dear Committee Members,

RE: Implementation of Permit Parking in a Newly Designated Permit Parking Area for Regent Park

I am writing to to take advantage of an opportunity for permit parking in the Regent Park neighbourhood. Prior to revitalization, Toronto Community Housing Corporation (TCHC) tenants in Regent Park had above ground parking lots with parking for their tenants. Through revitalization and with the start of Phases 4 & 5 construction, TCHC tenants have now lost this above ground parking. Limited underground parking within TCHC buildings has instead been made available. As the City begins to assume roads in Regent Park, this provides an opportunity to add overnight permit parking, while being intentional about using an equity lens to ensure those affordable parking spaces go to TCHC tenants.

Due to the immense population growth pressures in the downtown core and the fixed, extremely limited, street capacity, City Council's practice of excluding all new developments in the downtown from being eligible for on-street permit parking remains necessary. In these very unique circumstances in Regent Park, I believe that making an exception for TCHC residents is an equity-driven and balanced approach.

This letter is required to exempt petition and polling requirements to implement permit parking on streets within Regent Park. A future report is expected that would properly implement permit parking on the noted streets and to exclude non-TCHC buildings from the new permit parking area.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that:

1. City Council exempt the implementation of permit parking on the following streets from the requirements of subsection 925-4B of City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 925, Permit Parking, until such time as Toronto and East York Community Council considers a request for implementation of permit parking at that location:

- a. Oak Street, between Parliament Street and River Street;
- b. Cole Street, between Parliament Street and Sackville Street;
- c. St Bartholomew Street, between Regent Street and Sackville Street;
- d. Wyatt Avenue, between Sumach Street and River Street;
- e. St David Street, between Regent Street and Sumach Street;
- f. Sutton Avenue, between Regent Street and Sackville Street;
- g. Arnold Avenue, between St David Street and Dundas Street East;
- h. Dreamers Way, between Oak Street and Gerrard Street East;
- i. Regent Street, between Shuter Street and Oak Street;
- j. Pashler Avenue, between Dundas Street East and St Bartholomew Street;
- k. Peaceful Way, between Shuter Street and Sutton Avenue;
- l. Sackville Street, between Shuter Street and Gerrard Street East;
- m. Regent Park Boulevard, between St David Street and Dundas Street East;
- n. Sumach Street, between Shuter Street and Gerrard Street East;
- o. Tubman Avenue, between Wyatt Avenue and Oak Street; and
- p. Nicholas Avenue, between Shuter Street and Wyatt Avenue.

Respectfully submitted,



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