

**CITY OF BELLEVILLE**  
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**Report TC-DCC-2021-02**  
**March 24, 2021**

**To:** Transportation Committee

**Subject:** **Potential Residential Parking Permit Program**

**Recommendation:**

“THAT the Transportation Committee recommends to Council that a Residential Parking Permit **pilot project** be launched in the residential neighbourhood located to the east of Belleville General Hospital (ie: First St. to Sixth St., North St. and Bay Dr.)

**Strategic Plan Alignment:**

The City of Belleville’s Strategic Plan identifies nine strategic themes. The recommendation within this report aligns with the City’s strategic theme “Transportation and Mobility” and the City’s strategic objective to “Plan and develop a safe and efficient road and transportation system that addresses the needs of our residents and businesses”.

**Background:**

At the February 24, 2021 meeting of the Transportation Committee, as part of its discussion of New Business Items, it was requested that staff provide information regarding the potential use of residential parking permits.

**Financial/Analysis:**

The problem of meeting residential parking needs is an issue that is faced in many municipalities. The strategies to address this issue range from municipalities that offer various categories of on-street residential parking permits to municipalities that do not allow for any on-street permit parking.

To help to alleviate parking challenges being faced by residents in the area around Belleville General Hospital, it is proposed that a six month on-street Residential Parking Permit (RPP) pilot project be launched in the residential neighbourhood located to the east of Belleville General Hospital (ie; First St. to Sixth St., North St. and Bay Dr. – see map attached)

A **draft** Residential Parking Permit (RPP) policy is attached. The proposed policy is designed to offer relief to residents who face parking challenges in neighbourhoods where, in order to deter all day parkers, time-of-day restrictions are already in place.

The proposed RPP policy:

- will not guarantee a dedicated parking space or a parking space immediately adjacent to the applicant's residence
- can only be used for the vehicle associated with the license plate identified in the application and cannot be transferred or re-sold
- is limited to passenger vehicles
- entitles the holder to park on a street in the defined pilot project area only; the permit will not be honoured in other areas of the City
- will not allow the permit holder to park overnight on any street (on-street parking is not permitted from 1 a.m. to 6 a.m..)

It is noted that before the City of Belleville launches an RPP pilot project, it must be ensured that an administrative process is in place to manage the program. This will include

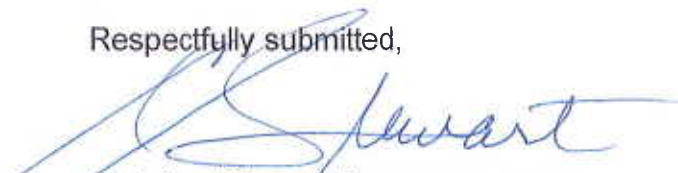
- o Creating an inventory of available space for on-street parking on the streets in the pilot project area
- o Developing an application submission and review/approval process including activating software needed to manage the program
- o Installing proper signage

**Conclusion:**

To help to alleviate parking challenges being faced by residents in the area around Belleville General Hospital, it is proposed that an on-street Residential Parking Permit (RPP) pilot project be launched in the residential neighbourhood located to the east of Belleville General Hospital (ie; First St. to Sixth St., North St. and Bay Dr.).

Staff are recommending that the Committee be provided with a follow-up report to outline if the program provided a reasonable solution for the parking needs of the residents and that the report be provided after the pilot project has been in place six months.

Respectfully submitted,



Christine Stewart, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

- Draft RPP policy
- Map of Pilot Project Area



FIRST ST

SECOND ST

THIRD ST

FOURTH ST

FIFTH ST

SIXTH ST

DUNDAS ST E

NORTH ST

BAY DR

HASTINGS DR

**Legend**

**NO PARKING**

10-11AM and 2-3PM Mon-Fri

Anytime

Property

## RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT PILOT PROJECT

The City of Belleville is offering a limited number of on-street Residential Parking Permits to accommodate parking needs for residents in a designated pilot project area. A residential parking permit will exempt parkers from the posted parking time regulations in the pilot project area. If your parking needs can be met within the posted time of day regulations, no permit is necessary.

### WHY AN ON-STREET RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT PROGRAM IS BEING CONSIDERED

An on-street Residential Parking Permit program has two components:

- The first component involves having time-of-day restrictions in place to discourage all-day parkers from overcrowding residential streets in a high-demand neighbourhood. All-day parkers are typically commuters who work in or visit an institution or business where parking is in high demand creating parking challenges for area residents. Time-of-day restrictions typically restrict parking for a period of time in the morning and afternoon (such as no parking between 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. and between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m., Monday to Friday).
- The second component of the program involves issuing a limited number of residential parking permits to exempt eligible parkers from the time-of-day restrictions on their street. Offering a residential parking permit program will allow residents to park on the street during the time-of-day restrictions however a residential parking permit will not be issued for locations where parking is prohibited at all times.

### AS A RESIDENT, AM I REQUIRED TO BUY AN ON-STREET PARKING PERMIT TO PARK ON MY STREET?

No. Residents are not required to purchase a permit if they can work within the regulations that typically restrict parking for one hour in the morning and one hour in the afternoon on weekdays.

PLEASE NOTE THAT A RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT DOES NOT ALLOW THE HOLDER TO PARK ON-STREET OVERNIGHT. ON-STREET PARKING **IS NOT PERMITTED** BETWEEN 1AM AND 6AM YEAR ROUND IN THE DESIGNATED PILOT PROJECT AREA EVEN IF YOU POSSESS A RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT.



## Residential Parking Permits

A Residential Parking Permit will allow residents who live on designated streets in the pilot project area around Belleville General Hospital to park on-street during time of day restrictions.

Residential permits:

- Are only available to residents of the defined pilot project area. Proof of address is required.
- Exempt the holder from time restrictions on any street in the defined pilot project area.
- Do not guarantee a dedicated parking space or a parking space immediately adjacent to the applicant's residence.
- Can only be used for the vehicle associated with the license plate identified in the application and cannot be transferred or re-sold.
- Are limited to passenger vehicles.
- One permit will be issued per residential address.
- A maximum of three permits per multi-residential address will be issued subject to the address being identified on the City's property tax system as multi-residential property.
- Entitle the holder to park in the defined pilot project area only. The permit will not be honoured in other areas.
- Have a maximum duration of 12 hours (meaning the vehicle has to move from the street every 12 hours).
- Do not allow the permit holder to park overnight on any street (on-street parking is not permitted from 1 a.m. to 6 a.m.).
- Will only be granted if all outstanding fines/fees associated with the licence plate of the vehicle are paid.
- Cost \$ xx.xx per month (plus taxes). (no fee to be charged during pilot project)

To request a residential permit, fill out the [\(application form\)](#)