

# MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

## **Committee of the Whole (2)**

DATE: Tuesday May 14, 2024

### TITLE: EXTENSION OF CONSTRUCTION PARKING PERMIT TIME FRAMES FOR RESIDENTS

**FROM:** Councillor Adriano Volpentesta

**Whereas**, the Province has recently introduced a series of legislative amendments to promote the building of housing as well as facilitate the conversion of single homes into multi-unit dwellings, most notably through the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022;

**Whereas**, the ever growing need for good quality affordable housing and the provincial changes designed to facilitate it will drive both new builds and the renovation of existing homes;

**Whereas,** the City of Vaughan continues to mature as an urban centre, with many homes built now entering their third and fourth decade and becoming increasingly in need of repairs, maintenance and refurbishment;

Whereas, repairs, maintenance, refurbishment and conversion often requires equipment and materials to be stored on site;

**Whereas**, accommodating such storage often requires residents' vehicles to temporarily park on city roadways;

**Whereas**, the Municipal Act, 2001, gives municipalities the authority to pass bylaws respecting parking and traffic on roadways, provide for a system of licences respecting a matter under its authority to regulate, and impose fees or charges on persons for the use of its property including property under its control; **Whereas**, the City's Parking By-law, being a by-law passed under the above authorities, currently offers construction parking permits to residents for a period of up to 30 days;

**Whereas,** renovation, refurbishment, repair and maintenance work undertaken is increasingly of a more involved nature and is increasingly requiring more than 30 days to complete; and

**Whereas,** it is desirable for home owners to maintain and improve their properties and to contribute to the stock of good quality housing in the City; therefore also making it desirable for the City to encourage and facilitate such work.

#### It is therefore recommended that:

- 1. The City's Parking By-law be amended to permit extensions on parking construction permits, up to a total of 30 days (beyond the existing construction parking permit) for every vehicle registered at the property, and that such extension be subject to the following conditions:
  - a. that application be made at least five business days prior to the existing construction parking permit expiring;
  - that issuance of extended permits be predicated on all parking spaces on the property being used for storage or placement of materials and equipment directly related to the subject construction;
  - c. that a non-refundable fee of \$50 be imposed for the application to extend a permit; and
  - d. that permits be conditional on compliance with all other applicable bylaws.
- Such by-law be brought directly forward to the next practicable meeting of Council for consideration, in a manner satisfactory to the Legal Services Department.
- 3. Staff assess the appropriateness of the extension time frame, application and review process, and fee imposed, as part of their upcoming review of the City's Parking By-law.

#### Financial and Staff Resource Impact

Cost associated with the implementation of this proposal relate to the review of applications for extensions to ensure that any extension of permits is proper and does not contravene any other parking regulations. These additional costs are to be offset by a non-refundable fee of \$50. As such, the total impact is expected to be fully offset.

#### **Attachments**

None