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COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL ON-STREET PARKING PERMITS NOW AVAILABLE

WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE, ON – The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville’s On-Street Residential and Commercial parking permits are now available for purchase.

“The Residential and Commercial Parking Program has been a significant undertaking for Town Staff and Council,” says Tamara Carlson, Manager of Customer Services and project lead. “As with many pilot projects, there have been challenges. Staff have worked effectively with stakeholders to address their needs and make this project a success.”

Permits are available for those that require on-street parking that exceeds the 3 hour parking By-law. Residential on-street permits are available in 1-day, 3-day or weekend durations and can be purchased online at townofws.ca/parking/residential_permits/

“The offering of commercial and residential on-street parking permits is the next phase of improving parking for residents and merchants. It is one that Town residents and businesses located off Main Street have been anxiously awaiting,” she said.

Commercial parking permits will be sold strictly to business and/or property owners for the sole use of their employees or tenants. Commercial permit types available include “Municipal Lot Day” (8 a.m.-8 p.m.), “Municipal Lot Night” (8 p.m.-8 a.m.) and “On-Street Day” (8 a.m.-8 p.m.). These permits must be purchased from Customer Service at Town’s Municipal Office.

“Permits must be clearly displayed at all times,” Carlson reminds permit holders. “Even permitted vehicles must be removed from the streets during weather events to allow plows and emergency vehicles to make their way down the street safely.”

Municipal By-law enforcement is strictly enforcing the 3 hour By-law on all municipal streets and municipal parking lots. They also remind residents not to park in fire routes, accessible parking spots and other no parking zones.

In addition to the new on-street parking, Council last week also approved new permitted spots in the Clippers Complex and Stouffville Arena parking lots.

“The continued demand for permit parking within Town lots has exceeded our expectations. We are anticipating a similar response for on-street permit parking needs as well” Carlson said.

Staff will continue to track and monitor user needs and report findings to Council. However, demand far exceeds supply, so Carlson suggests purchasing permits early.

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