

TO: Mayor and Members of Council
City of Barrie

For inclusion in the Public Circulation List for Council meeting on Monday December 5, 2016.

RE: Staff Report RPF014 -16 to General Committee, November 28, 2016.

DOWNTOWN THREE (3) HOUR PARKING LIMIT – BERCZY STREET

Mr. Mayor and Members of Council,

I am writing to you because unfortunately I have to work Monday evening and I will be unable to attend the Council meeting.

I have corresponded with and talked with Councillor Romita who has been very helpful respecting my concerns about the parking investigation and recommendation to allow parking on the east side of Berczy Street between Collier Street and Amelia Street. I am providing a summary of the salient points of concern for your consideration.

I understand the difficult task of accommodating request from the public such as the one that initiated this study, while at the same time balancing the technical matters and the desire of the majority of the impacted residents.

In a response to the study questionnaire in April 2016, I submitted comments and questions. I did not receive a response to my questions and the staff report does not seem to address some of the comments that were made.

The three comments I would ask you to consider are:

- **The report indicates the majority of residents are in favour of the proposed changes, however the numbers don't add up.**
The report indicates that a questionnaire was mailed to 26 property owners on Berczy Street between Collier Street and Amelia Street. However, there are only 19 properties at most on this section of Berczy Street.
There are 6 single family residential homes and one small apartment building with 11 units on Berczy Street between Collier and Amelia. There are two additional properties on abutting streets that have driveway access to Berczy Street. (Aerial photo attached)
- **Why would "No Parking 7:00am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday" not be considered for Berczy street.**
Pointy Street to the immediate west is a very similar street with similar parking issues. It has " No Parking 7:00am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday"

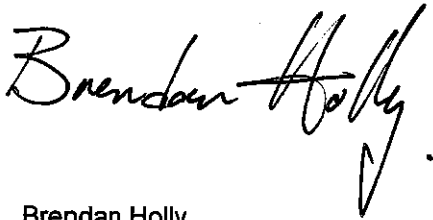
- **Parking should not be permitted on the east side of the Berczy between Collier Street and 1.5 metres beyond the second driveway even if parking is permitted on the east side of Berczy.**

The space between the driveways at #25 and #27 Berczy is only 6.5 metres. When the required 1.5 metres clearance to each of the driveway is maintained the effective space is 3.5 metres, which is insufficient for a parking spot. Significant by-law enforcement resources would be required to enforce this if parking is not prohibited at this spot.

The distance from the Collier Street intersection to the first driveway is approximately 26 metres. The by-law prohibits parking a minimum of 9.0 metres from all intersections and 1.5 metres from driveways. Accordingly, the effective parking area is 15.5 metres. Prohibitions parking in this area would only reduce possible parking spots by 2.

Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

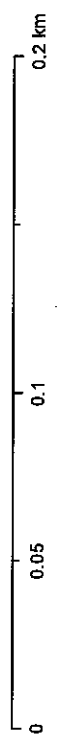
Yours sincerely

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Brendan Holly

November 30, 2016

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