

Public Consultation Summary

Response	Number of Responses	Issues Identified
<i>Completely Opposed</i>	2	- Additional Traffic will be an issue - Pedestrian Safety due to added traffic - Use of the garage as prayer space
<i>Accept if many features were different</i>		-
<i>Accept if one or two features were different</i>		-
<i>I support this proposal</i>	10	- There is a need for such facility for praying and socializing - Building safety standards should be in place - Use of garage as prayer space - Lights at the crosswalk for safety

1. Issue

Concerned with such development resulting to on street parking demand and traffic issues

Administration's Response:

- The applicant has indicated that many users live within a walking distance of this facility and/or does not require vehicles to access the services being rendered at this location.
- The site is located on a corner site with a vacant lot to the east across Sheppard Street. There are few if any residential properties that may be impacted by on-street parking.
- On-street parking is available on both sides of Sheppard Street.
- Up to three vehicles may be able to park in front of the building on the parking pad, so long as no sidewalks are obstructed.
- Although this proposal is being considered under Zoning Bylaw No. 9250, the pending approved Zoning Bylaw 2019-19 would require only two on-site vehicle stalls as parking requirements have changed.
- Given the nature of the use of the facility, patrons are not expected to remain parked for long periods of time as prayer times are approximately 10 - 15 minutes in length.

2. Issue

Pedestrian Safety due to added traffic

Administration's Response:

The applicant has indicated that this facility will cater the local need as it is being proposed to be largely used by the residents within the proximity of this facility and does not necessitate the vehicle travel.

3. Issue

Use of the garage as prayer space / Building safety standards should be in place.

Administration's Response:

This application is being presented to the council to allow the use of detached garage as religious institution and a religious institution is allowed under the current zoning regulation as discretionary use subject to approval by City Council.

Following approval by City Council the applicant will be required to obtain permits and undertake changes to the building to ensure that it complies with all building standards.