

Installation of Island or Planter - Markham Street Near Robinson Street (Trinity-Niagara)

(City Council on November 23, 24 and 25, 1999, adopted this Clause, without amendment.)

The Toronto Community Council recommends that a by-law in the form of the draft by-law be enacted, and that the necessary Bill be introduced in Council to give effect thereto.

The Toronto Community Council reports, for the information of Council, that pursuant to Clause 56 of Report No. 11 of the Toronto Community Council, headed “Suggested Two-Way Traffic Operation – Markham Street between Robinson Street and the first lane north (Trinity-Niagara)”, which was adopted by City Council on July 27, 28, 29 and 30, 1999, notice with respect to the proposed enactment of the draft by-law was advertised in a daily newspaper on October 18, October 25, November 1 and November 8, 1999, and no one addressed the Toronto Community Council.

The Toronto Community Council submits the following Draft By-law from the City Solicitor:

Authority: Toronto Community Council Report No. 11, Clause No. 56,
as adopted by City of Toronto Council on July 27, 28, 29 and 30, 1999

Enacted by Council:

CITY OF TORONTO

BY-LAW No. 924-1999

To further amend former City of Toronto By-law No. 602-89, being “A By-law To authorize the construction, widening, narrowing, alteration and repair of sidewalks, pavements and curbs at various locations”, respecting the alteration of Markham Street near Robinson Street by the installation of an island or planter.

WHEREAS notice of a proposed By-law regarding the proposed alteration was published in a daily newspaper on October 18 and 25 and November 1 and 8, 1999 and interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard at a public meeting held on November 9, 1999 and it is appropriate to amend the by-law to permit the alteration;

The Council of the City of Toronto HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

1. Former City of Toronto By-law No. 602-89, being “A By-law To authorize the construction, widening, narrowing, alteration and repair of sidewalks, pavements and curbs at various locations”, is amended:

(1) by inserting in Columns 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, respectively, of Schedule “B-4” (Pavement Alteration/Repair) the following:

(Column 1 Street)	(Column 2 Side/Corner)	(Column 3 Alteration/ Repair)	(Column 4 From)	(Column 5 To)	(Column 6 Drawing No./Date)
Markham Street		Alteration consisting of the installation of an island or planter	Near Robinson Street	In front of Premises No. 45	

ENACTED AND PASSED this day of , A.D. 1999.

Mayor
(Corporate Seal)

City Clerk

The Toronto Community Council also submits the following Clause 56 of Toronto Community Council Report No. 11, headed “Suggested Two-Way Traffic Operation – Markham Street between Robinson Street and the first lane north (Trinity-Niagara):

(City Council on July 27, 28, 29 and 30, 1999, adopted this Clause, without amendment.)

The Toronto Community Council recommends the adoption of the recommendations contained in the following communication (July 13, 1999) from Councillors Pantalone and Silva:

Purpose:

To permit residents of Palmerston Avenue and Markham Street using the laneway to access their garages via Markham Street, as opposed to having to travel all the way to Dundas Street West.

Recommendations:

- (1) That approval be given to rescind the existing one way traffic operation and permit two way traffic operation on Markham Street from Robinson Street to the lane 38 metres north (No.54 Markham Street) to provide access to the lane system from the south with the conditions enumerated below:
 - (a) Parking is prohibited at anytime on west side of Markham Street from Robinson Street to a point 50 meters north;
 - (b) **Parking is prohibited at anytime on the east side of Markham Street from Robinson Street to a point 40 metres north;**

- (c) An island or planter is installed on Markham Street fronting Premises No. 45 to prevent traffic from proceeding the wrong-way on the street; and
 - (d) Suitable advisory signs are installed on Markham Street at Robinson Street to alert motorists that northbound traffic ends at a midblock point.
- (2) That the appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take whatever action is necessary to implement the foregoing, including the introduction in Council of any Bills that might be required.

Background:

At our request and on behalf of area residents, Transportation Services Staff investigated and reported on the possibility of rescinding the existing one way traffic operation and allowing two - way traffic operation on Markham Street between Robinson Street and the first lane to the north of Robinson Street (see attached report).

We have consulted with area residents and have been advised by them to proceed with this change on this portion of Markham Street.

It is noted that approval of Recommendation 1 (c), the installation of an island/planter to prevent traffic from proceeding the wrong way on the street, would constitute a highway alteration under the provisions of the Municipal Act. This would require public advertising of the proposed island/planter and the hearing of depositions by Community Council. The Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services is also requested to prepare the appropriate drawings.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

(A copy of the communication dated December 10, 1998 from the Director of Transportation Services, District 1, Works and Emergency Services, addressed to Councillor Pantalone, referred to in the forgoing report was forwarded to all Members of the Toronto Community Council with the agenda for its meeting on July 15, 1999, and a copy thereof is on file in the office of the City Clerk).