



**STAFF REPORT  
ACTION REQUIRED**

**2007 Capital Works Projects – Highway Alteration By-laws**

<b>Date:</b>	June 12, 2007
<b>To:</b>	Etobicoke York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District
<b>Wards:</b>	Wards 1, 4, 6 and 17
<b>Reference Number:</b>	eycc070089-to – 5393

**SUMMARY**

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This staff report is about a matter for which the community council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

The purpose of this report is to recommend the enactment of highway alteration by-laws for the installation of lay-bys, sidewalks and realignments of intersections at various locations in the Etobicoke York District.

The proposed modifications and alterations will be undertaken as part of the Capital Works Program and will improve traffic operations and enhance pedestrian safety.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

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**Transportation Services recommends that:**

- (1) Etobicoke York Community Council approve the alterations and modifications at various locations within the Etobicoke York District, generally as shown on the attached sketches and descriptions as indicated in Appendix “A”, dated June 12, 2007.

**Financial Impact**

All costs associated with the various projects within the Etobicoke York District as indicated in Appendix “A”, have been accommodated in the approved 2007 Capital Budget.

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

City legal staff have recently advised that The *City of Toronto Act, 2006* requires by-laws for the alteration of highways. This is not a new requirement under the *City of Toronto Act, 2006* and was required under the previous Municipal Acts. Notwithstanding that many pre-amalgamation municipalities had varied practices relating to highway alterations, City legal staff have advised that if any of the District in Transportation wish to make an alteration to a highway, a by-law is required to be prepared and passed under the *City of Toronto Act, 2006*. Alterations requiring approval typically include road narrowing and widening, the installation of a lay-by, the installation of sidewalks, the installation of medians and the realignment of intersections.

## **COMMENTS**

There are a number of projects included in the Transportation Services 2007 Capital Works Program in the Etobicoke York District that have not yet commenced that require Highway Alteration By-laws in accordance with the City of Toronto Act 2006. These include lay-by installations, sidewalk installations and intersection realignments and are shown on the attached sketches and described in Appendix "A". The enactment of the necessary highway alteration by-laws is required prior to the construction of the proposed projects in the Etobicoke York District.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Appendix "A"  
Sketches