



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### Locations Requiring Highway Alteration By-laws

<b>Date:</b>	September 13, 2007
<b>To:</b>	Etobicoke York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 6 – Etobicoke-Lakeshore & Ward 13 – Parkdale-High Park
<b>Reference Number:</b>	p:\2007\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc070149-to – AFS6011

#### **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 curb extensions, a road narrowing and a traffic island 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, dated June and July, 2007.

#### **Financial Impact**

All costs associated with the various projects within the Etobicoke York District as indicated in the attached sketches, 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 Districts 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 a road narrowing and a traffic island improvement and are shown on the attached sketches. 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**

Attachment Nos. 1 & 2:        Maps  
Attachment No 3:            Appendix “A”