



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

**Public Lane at Rear of 500 St. Clair Avenue West -
Closure for Construction**

Date:	March 12, 2007
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Ward:	St. Paul's, Ward 21
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SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter which Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision. The Goldman Group is building a 22-storey condominium fronting on the north side of St. Clair Avenue West. This site known as 500 St. Clair Avenue West abutts Bathurst Street to east and a public lane to the north. For this reason, Transportation Services must close the public lane to the north of the property for 24 months.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Toronto and East York Community Council approve the following actions:

1. close the public lane located about 42 metres north of St. Clair Avenue West (on the north side of 500 St. Clair Avenue West) from Bathurst Street to a point 43 metres west for 24 months, from March 2007 to March 2009; and
2. return the public lane to its pre-construction condition when the project is completed.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact on the City. The Goldman Group will bear the costs.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services has received an application from The Goldman Group for this temporary public lane closure. Chapter 937-2 of the Municipal Code authorizes staff to

issue road closure permits of up to 30 days for private construction. This closure will be in effect for 24 months and needs Toronto and East York Community Council's approval.

COMMENTS

The public lane operates two-way with one traffic lane in each direction. There is another entrance to this lane system from Raglan Avenue. There is no TTC service in this lane.

Reasons for the partial road closure

Developing this property means excavating the entire site to a depth of four stories for underground parking. That makes it impossible to build from private property alone. The applicant needs a construction staging area within the road allowance on the public lane at the rear of the site.

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