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STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Peter Street - Lane Closure for Construction

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То:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Trinity-Spadina, Ward 20
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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. Vanbots Construction Corporation is building a 16-storey hotel at 92 Peter Street, on the west side of Peter Street, south of Adelaide Street West. For this reason, Transportation Services must:

- (a) close the west sidewalk for 14 months; and
- (b) make a temporary pedestrian walkway in the west curb lane on Peter Street.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

- 1. close the sidewalk and curb lane on the west side of Peter Street from a point 8.3 metres south of Adelaide Street West to a point about 40 metres further south from March 2007 to May 2008;
- 2. during this period, replace the existing parking regulations on both sides of Peter Street from a point 25 metres north of Adelaide Street West to a point 50 metres south of Adelaide Street West with no stopping anytime; and
- 3. return Peter Street to its pre-construction traffic and parking regulations when the project is completed.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact on the City. Vanbots Construction Corporation will bear the costs.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services has received an application from Vanbots Construction Corporation for this temporary 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 14 months and needs Toronto and East York Community Council's approval.

COMMENTS

Peter Street operates two-way with two lanes traffic in each direction on a road width of 14 metres. Paid parking is in effect on both sides of Peter Street between Adelaide Street West and King Street West and pay-and-display parking spaces will be affected during this temporary lane closure. Time-limit parking regulations will also be affected. If the construction staging area is approved, Peter Street, from Adelaide Street West to a point about 50 metres south, will be narrowed to a road width of 8.5 metres, enough to accommodate one lane of traffic in each direction.

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 west side of Peter Street. Peter Street will keep operating two-way with a pedestrian walkway on the west side of the street.

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