



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### Balmuto Street - Lane and Sidewalk Closure for Construction

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| <b>Date:</b>             | June 7, 2007   |
| <b>To:</b>               | Toronto and East York Community Council                          |
| <b>From:</b>             | Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District |
| <b>Wards:</b>            | Toronto-Centre Rosedale, Ward 27                                 |
| <b>Reference Number:</b> | Ts07138te.top.doc  |

#### **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.

Tucker Hi-Rise Construction Inc. is building a 34-storey condominium at 7-21 Balmuto Street, on the east side of Balmuto Street, north of Charles Street West. For this reason, Transportation Services must close the east sidewalk and east side of Balmuto Street for 25 months. Two-way traffic will be maintained on Balmuto Street for the duration of the project.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

1. close the east sidewalk and east side of Balmuto Street, between a point 51.0 metres north of Charles Street West and a point 78.2 metres north of Charles Street West for 25 months, from June 27, 2007 to July 31, 2009;
2. during this period, implement “No Stopping Anytime” on both sides of Balmuto Street, between a point 46 metres north of Charles Street West and a point 83.2 metres north of Charles Street West;

3. during this period, remove the existing “No Parking, 6:30 p.m. of one day to 8:00 a.m. of the next following day, Mon. to Fri., 6:00 p.m. to midnight on Sat. and at anytime on Sun.” regulation on the east side of Balmuto Street, between a point 46 metres north of Charles Street West and a point 83.2 metres north of Charles Street West;
4. during this period, remove the existing “No Stopping, 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Mon. to Fri.” regulation on the east side of Balmuto Street, between a point 46 metres north of Charles Street West and a point 83.2 metres north of Charles Street West;
5. during this period, remove the existing “No Stopping Anytime” regulation on the west side of Balmuto Street, between a point 112 metres south of Bloor Street West and Charles Street West;
6. during this period, remove the existing “No Standing, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Mon. to Fri., and 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sat.” regulation on the east side of Balmuto Street, between a point 46 metres north of Charles Street West and a point 83.2 metres north of Charles Street West;
7. during this period, remove the existing “30 minute parking, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Mon. to Fri. and from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sat.” restriction on the west side of Balmuto Street, between a point 46 metres north of Charles Street West and a point 83.2 metres north of Charles Street West; and
8. return Balmuto Street to its pre-construction traffic and parking regulations when the project is completed.

### **Financial Impact**

There is no financial impact on the City. Tucker Hi-Rise Construction Inc. will bear the costs.

### **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

City Council, at its meeting of September 25, 26, and 27, 2006, in considering Clause No. 15 of Report No. 7 of the Toronto and East York Community Council, among other things, authorized the General Zoning By-law amendment with respect to lands known as 13 Balmuto Street. As part of this report, City Council authorized the construction of a development consisting of a 34-storey residential building.

Transportation Services has received an application from Tucker Hi-Rise Construction Inc. for a temporary sidewalk closure and partial road closure on the east side of Balmuto Street, between a point 51 metres north of Charles Street West and a point 78.2 metres north of Charles Street West, to use as a construction staging area to construct this development. 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 25 months and needs Community Council’s approval.

## **COMMENTS**

Balmuto Street, between a point 51 metres north of Charles Street West and a point 78.2 metres north of Charles Street West, is 11 metres wide and operates two-way with one lane in each direction. There is an existing “No Stopping Anytime” regulation on the west side of the street. The east side of the street is regulated by “No Parking”, “No Standing” and “No Stopping” regulations.

## **Reasons for the partial road closure**

Developing this property means excavating the entire site to a depth of six stories. That makes it impossible to build from private property alone. The applicant needs a construction staging area within the road allowance on the east side of Balmuto Street. Balmuto Street will keep operating two-way, with pedestrians being diverted to a temporary walkway on the east side of the street, adjacent to the construction staging area. The west sidewalk is unaffected by this proposal.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1: Drawing No. 421F-8844, dated May, 2007

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