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STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Yonge Street - lane closure for construction

Date:	August 24, 2007
То:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Toronto-Centre Rosedale, Ward 27
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SUMMARY

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

Goldsmith Borgal & Company Limited Architects is restoring and constructing additions to existing buildings at 1099 Yonge Street, on the northeast corner of Yonge Street and Price Street. This work requires a construction staging area.

Transportation Services is requesting Community Council authority to close a section of the public lane along the east side of 1099 Yonge Street to vehicular and pedestrian traffic for a period of 15 months to accommodate this requirement.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. close the public lane east of Yonge Street, from Price Street to a point about 18 metres north of Price Street, to vehicular and pedestrian traffic for 15 months, from September 20, 2007 to December 20, 2008.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact on the City. Goldsmith Borgal & Company Limited Architects will bear the costs.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services has received an application from Goldsmith Borgal & Company Limited Architects to close a section of the public lane east of Yonge Street, from Price Street to a point about 18 metres north thereof, to use as a construction staging area. 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 15 months and needs Community Council approval.

COMMENTS

The public lane at the east side 1099 Yonge Street is approximately 5.1 metres wide and operates two-way. The lane and surrounding property information is shown on the copy of Drawing No. 421F-9063, accompanying this report.

Vehicle access during the construction period to the section of the lane remaining open will be from Scrivner Square by way of Price Street. A private lane from Yonge Street, also owned by 1099 Yonge Street will, provide alternative access to the lane. No TTC service is affected by this proposed lane closure.

Reasons for the laneway closure

Construction calls for restoration and addition work to existing buildings at 1099 Yonge Street, located on the northeast corner of Yonge Street and Price Street. The applicant requires a staging area to receive delivery of construction materials and for storage of materials during the work. Setting up a staging area in the public lane eliminates the need to close lanes of traffic on Price Street and/or Yonge Street for extended periods. This results in less inconvenience in the surrounding community.

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ATTACHMENTS

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