



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Budget Amendment for Transportation Services Capital Program – Various Construction Projects (Fully Recoverable Funds)

Date:	April 3, 2008
To:	Budget Committee
From:	General Manager, Transportation Services
Wards:	All Wards
Reference Number:	p:2008\ClusterB\tra\tim\bc08008tim

SUMMARY

This report seeks authorization to amend the component of the approved 2008 Transportation Services Capital Program entitled “Various Construction Projects”. It is a fully recoverable program for third party work, predominantly by the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) for track work that Transportation Services undertakes on behalf of the TTC and the other third parties.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The General Manager, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. The Transportation Services’ 2008 Approved Capital Budget be amended by increasing the “Various Construction Projects” program, which is fully recoverable, from an amount of \$5.0 million gross, zero net, to an amount of \$20.0 million gross, zero net; and
2. City Council authorize and direct the appropriate City Officials, to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Financial Impact

The recommendations seek to authorize the amendment and corresponding increase of the approved 2008 Various Construction Projects program from \$5.0 million gross to \$20.0 million gross and zero net in order to implement third party work within the right-of-way. This is a fully recoverable program with no net impact on the division's approved 2008 net debt target.

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

DECISION HISTORY

City Council, at its meeting of December 11, 12 & 13, 2007, approved the 2008 Capital Budget, authorizing approval of the 2008 Transportation Services Capital Works Program including the "Various Construction Projects" program, in the amount of \$5.0 million gross, zero net.

COMMENTS

The Transportation Services Division routinely undertakes work on behalf of third parties including the TTC. This is done so that work can be undertaken by one party, typically City staff that also undertake rehabilitation work adjacent to the TTC track bed, including the roadway itself and adjoining sidewalks. At the time of budget submission last summer, the TTC had indicated that, other than the St. Clair project, a nominal amount of track work would be undertaken in 2008, in the amount of approximately \$5.0 million, because most of its lengthy track improvements had already been implemented. TTC staff are now looking to implement additional track work in 2008, at:

- Parliament Street – Gerrard Street East to King Street East
- Church Street – Carlton Street to King Street East
- Bathurst Street – Bathurst Station on the Bloor Subway Line to St. Clair Avenue West
- Queen Street East / Church Street intersection
- Adelaide Street East / Church Street intersection
- Hillcrest Yard Entrance on Bathurst Street
- Vaughan Road – St. Clair Avenue West to Bathurst Street

Additional “flow-through” funding is required to accommodate these works, so as not to compromise the Division’s anticipated construction schedule of capital works. Not improving the amendment will delay the awarding of contracts for these planned works.

CONTACT

Joseph Condarcuri
Manager, Transportation Services
Phone: 416-392-3964
Fax: 416-392-4808
Email: jcondarc@toronto.ca

SIGNATURE

Gary Welsh, P.Eng.
General Manager, Transportation Services

JC/nb