

Public Works and Infrastructure Committee – Item 18.4

(Considered by City Council on September 24 and 25, 2008)

PW18.4	Amended			Ward: 3, 5, 6, 13, 38, 44
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2008 Bikeway Network Program - Phase 4 Installation of Bicycle Lanes

City Council Decision

City Council on September 24 and 25, 2008, adopted the following motions:

1. City Council approve the installation of bicycle lanes on both sides of Brimorton Drive, from Brimley Road to Scarborough Golf Club Road, as detailed in the report dated August 21, 2008, entitled "2008 Bikeway Network Program – Phase 4 Installation of Bicycle Lanes" (PW18.4).
2. City Council approve the installation of bicycle lanes on both sides of Conlins Road, from Ellesmere Road to Sheppard Avenue East, as detailed in Appendix A of this report.
3. City Council approve the installation of bicycle lanes on the east side of Renforth Drive, from Bloor Street West to Rathburn Road, and on the west side of Renforth Drive, from Bloor Street West to West Wareside Road, as detailed in Appendix A of this report.
4. City Council approve the installation of bicycle lanes on both sides of The Queensway, from 250 metres east of High Street to Windermere Avenue, as detailed in Appendix A of this report.
5. City Council approve the amendments to the traffic and parking regulations detailed in Appendix B of this report, with the exception of those traffic and parking regulations pertaining to Horner Avenue from Browns Line to Judson Street.
6. City Council authorize and direct the appropriate City officials to take the necessary action to give effect thereto, including the introduction of all necessary bills.
7. The following motion be referred to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee for further study:

Moved by Councillor Palacio:

1. That City Council direct the appropriate City officials to report to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee on the feasibility of the installation of a bicycle lane along small sections of the Hydro Corridor within Ward 17, starting from the ravine south of Keele Street and Lavender Road and connecting it with the Hydro Corridor extending across Ward 17 all the way to Ossington Avenue, including entering into any standard licensing or easement agreements with Hydro One or the Ontario Realty Corporation as necessary to complete this project.
2. That funds to implement this bicycle and pedestrian path be provided within the Transportation Services Division 2009 Capital Budget in the Cycling Infrastructure.

(August 21, 2008) Report from the General Manager, Transportation Services.

Committee Recommendations

The Public Works and Infrastructure Committee recommends that:

1. City Council approve, in principle, the installation of bicycle lanes on both sides of Brimorton Drive, from Brimley Road to Scarborough Golf Club Road, as detailed in Appendix A of this report.
2. City Council approve the installation of bicycle lanes on both sides of Conlins Road, from Ellesmere Road to Sheppard Avenue East, as detailed in Appendix A of this report.
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Committee Decision Advice and Other Information

The Public Works and Infrastructure Committee:

- a. further to Recommendation 1 in the staff report (August 21, 2008), requested the General Manager, Transportation Services to report directly to Council for its meeting on September 24, 2008, on the creation of hybrid bike lanes, where feasible, that allow parking in non-rush hour periods along certain sections of Brimorton Drive;
- b. referred the following motions by Councillor De Baeremaeker respecting the proposed bike lanes on Brimorton Drive, from Brimley Road to Scarborough Golf Club Road, to the General Manager, Transportation Services for consideration and report back to the Budget Committee:
 - “1. That extensive boulevard tree planting be undertaken along Brimorton Drive and adjacent streets.
 2. That new, enlarged boulevards (with grass and tree plantings) be included along certain sections of Brimorton Drive to serve as a traffic calming measure.”; and
- c. referred back to the General Manager, Transportation Services the following Recommendation 3, together with any amendments to the traffic and parking regulations detailed in Appendix B, referred to in Recommendation 6 of the staff report (August 21, 2008), pertaining to bicycle lanes on both sides of Horner Avenue, from Browns Line to Judson Street, for further consideration and consultation with the Chair of the Toronto Cycling Advisory Committee:
 - “3. City Council approve the installation of bicycle lanes on both sides of Horner Avenue, from Browns Line to Judson Street, as detailed in Appendix A of this report.”

Financial Impact

Funds to implement the bicycle lanes recommended in this report are provided within the Transportation Services Division 2008 Capital Budget in the Cycling Infrastructure Account CTP 808-05.

Summary

The purpose of this report is to obtain authority to install bicycle lanes on Brimorton Drive, Conlins Road, Horner Avenue, Renforth Drive and The Queensway. This report is the fourth of five reports to obtain approval for installing bicycle lanes as part of the Toronto Bike Plan - 2008 Bikeway Network Program.

The implementation of the proposed bicycle lanes will result in an increase in the length of bicycle lanes in the City by 13.2 km. This will increase the total length of bicycle lanes approved and constructed from 100.8 km to 114 km of the total 495 km of bicycle lanes in the Toronto Bike Plan.

The affected Ward Councillors have been consulted regarding the bicycle lanes proposed in their respective Wards.

Background Information (Committee)

2008-09-08-pw18.4-Staff Report and Appendices A and B

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2008/pw/bgrd/backgroundfile-15312.pdf>)

Drawing No. 421P0107

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Background Information (City Council)

(September 22, 2008) supplementary report from the General Manager, Transportation Services (PW18.4a)

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2008/cc/bgrd/backgroundfile-15902.pdf>)

Communications (Committee)

(September 8, 2008) e-mail from Marty Collier, Toronto Urban Renewal Network (TURN) (PW.New.PW18.4.1)

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