



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### Adelaide Street East - Extension of Lane Closure Duration

<b>Date:</b>	January 24, 2008
<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 28
<b>Reference Number:</b>	Ts08041te.top.doc

### SUMMARY

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Life Construction Inc. is building a 14-storey condominium at 311 Adelaide Street East. They need to continue to keep the south lane and south sidewalk closed in order to complete construction.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

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**Transportation Services recommends that City Council approve the following actions:**

1. continue to close the sidewalk and curb lane on the south side of Adelaide Street East, between a point 8 metres east of Frederick Street and a point 35.2 metres further east, for 4 months, from March 5, 2008 to June 30, 2008; and
2. return Adelaide Street East to its pre-construction traffic and parking regulations when the project is completed.

### Financial Impact

There is no financial impact on the City. Life Construction Inc. will bear the costs.

### DECISION HISTORY

City Council, at its meeting of May 23, 24 and 25, 2006, in considering Item No. 33 of Toronto and East York Community Council Report No. 4, among other things, approved the closure of the curb lane and sidewalk on the south side of Adelaide Street East, between a point 8 metres east of Frederick Street and a point 35.2 metres further east, to

set up a construction staging area to build a 14-storey condominium at 311 Adelaide Street East.

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Transportation Services has received a letter from Life Construction Inc. advising that they need to keep the sidewalk and curb lane on the south side of Adelaide Street East closed for a longer period of time because construction of the building is not yet complete. They have requested the closure to continue until June 30, 2008. 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 an additional 4 months and needs City Council's approval.

## **COMMENTS**

Adelaide Street East, in this area, is an arterial street that operates one-way with four lanes in the eastbound direction. There is an existing "No Stopping, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday except Public Holidays" regulation on the north side of the street and a "No Stopping Anytime" regulation on the south side, adjacent to the existing closed curb lane. The T.T.C. No. 143 and 144 Downtown Express bus routes use this portion of Adelaide Street East.

There is also a construction staging area proposed on the north side of Adelaide Street West, between a point 62.9 metres east of George Street and a point 95.5 metres east of George Street, to build a 4-storey expansion to an existing building at 300 Adelaide Street East. A report on this construction staging area is also being presented at this meeting of Toronto and East York Community Council.

Maintaining this existing construction staging area on the south side of Adelaide Street East while setting up another construction staging area on the north side of Adelaide Street East will reduce the number of available traffic lanes to two on a continuous basis for the next 4 months, until the south construction staging area is removed. Traffic flow will be significantly impacted, especially during the afternoon peak period, when four lanes are normally available to traffic.

We will monitor traffic operations in the area and try to manage congestion by installing advisory signs to notify motorists of the lane closures and modifying traffic signal timings where possible. Toronto Police Parking Enforcement will also be requested to actively enforce all signed parking and stopping regulations.

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

Life Construction Inc. has advised us that, due to delays in construction, they need to keep the curb lane and sidewalk on the south side of Adelaide Street East closed until June 30, 2008, when the development will be complete. Pedestrians will continue to be diverted to a temporary walkway adjacent to the construction staging area on the south side of Adelaide Street East.

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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