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STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Scott Street - Extension of Sidewalk Closure Duration

Date:	April 17, 2008
То:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Toronto-Centre Rosedale, Ward 28
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SUMMARY

Cityzen Development Group is building a 32-storey and a 15-storey condominium at a site on the east side of Scott Street, at 38 The Esplanade. They need to continue to keep the east sidewalk closed and maintain a temporary pedestrian walkway on the east side of the street in order to complete construction.

RECOMMENDATION

Transportation Services recommends that Council approve the following action:

1. Continue to close the sidewalk on the east side of Scott Street between a point 5.0 metres north of The Esplanade and a point 46.0 metres further north, for 8 months, from May 28, 2008 to December 31, 2008.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact on the City. Cityzen Development Group will bear the costs.

DECISION HISTORY

City Council, at its meeting of January 31, February 1 and 2, 2006, in considering Clause No. 42 of Report No. 1, among other things, approved the closure of the sidewalk on the east side of Scott Street, between a point 5.0 metres north of The Esplanade and a point 46.0 metres further north, to set up a construction staging area to build a 32-storey and a 15-storey condominium at 40 The Esplanade.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services has received a letter from Cityzen Development Group advising that they need to keep the sidewalk on the east side of Scott Street closed for a longer period of time because construction of the building is not yet complete. They have requested the closure to continue until December 31, 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 8 months and needs Council's approval.

COMMENTS

Scott Street currently operates two-way with one traffic lane in each direction. Two-way traffic will continue to be maintained on Scott Street for the duration of construction. There are existing Pay-and-Display parking spaces on the west side of the street and a "No Stopping Anytime" restriction on the east side adjacent to the existing construction staging area. The T.T.C. No. 65A, 72A and 172A bus routes use this portion of Scott Street.

Reasons for the partial road closure

Cityzen Development Group has advised us that, due to delays in construction, they need to keep the sidewalk on the east side of Scott Street closed until December 31, 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 east side of Scott Street.

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