

# STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

## Extension of Lane and Sidewalk Closure Duration – St. Clair Avenue West

Date:	October 29, 2008
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services Toronto and East York District
Wards:	St. Paul's, Ward 22
Reference Number:	Ts08111te.top.doc

### **SUMMARY**

Transportation Services is requesting approval from City Council to maintain the closure of the curb lane and sidewalk on the south side of St. Clair Avenue west, west of Avenue Road, as shown on the attached print of Drawing No. 421F-9325, dated June 2008.

"468 Avenue Road Holdings Inc." is building a nineteen-storey high-rise residential building at 468 Avenue Road, on the south-west corner of Avenue Road and St. Clair Avenue West. Due to bad weather and material shortages, which have delayed construction, the developer must maintain closure of south curb lane and sidewalk until the end of July 2009 to complete construction of this development.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that City Council approve the following actions:

- 1. authorize the closure of the south curb lane and sidewalk on St. Clair Avenue West, between Avenue Road and a point 80 metres west, until July 31, 2009; and
- 2. return St. Clair Avenue West to its pre-construction traffic and parking regulations when the project is completed.

#### **Financial Impact**

There is no financial impact on the City. "468 Avenue Road Holdings Inc." is responsible for all costs associated with the closure.

#### **DECISION HISTORY**

City Council, at its meeting of February 5, 6, 7 and 8, 2007, in considering Item No. TE2.16 of the Toronto and East York Community Council, among other things, amended this item and approved the closure of the sidewalk and curb lane on the south side of St. Clair Avenue West, between Avenue Road and a point 80 metres west, to set up staging areas to build a nineteen-storey high-rise residential building at 468 Avenue Road.

#### ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services has received a letter from "468 Avenue Road Holdings Inc." advising that they need to keep the sidewalk and curb lane on the south side of St. Clair Avenue West closed for a longer period of time because construction of the building has been delayed by various problems including bad weather and material shortages. The developer has requested that the closure continue until July 31, 2009.

#### COMMENTS

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 8 months and needs approval by City Council.

St. Clair Avenue West, between Avenue Road and a point 80 metres west, operates with four lanes, two in each direction. TTC streetcars travel on a dedicated track right-of-way. The south curb lane is currently closed for the existing construction staging area. There is a "No Stopping Anytime" regulation on the south side of the street, from Avenue Road to a point 98.5 metres west. Approval of the Recommendations above will maintain the existing conditions on St. Clair Avenue West (shown on the attached print of Drawing No. 421F-9325, dated June 2008) until July 31, 2009.

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#### **SIGNATURE**

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#### LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

(1) Drawing No. 421F-9325, dated June, 2008

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