



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Lane and Sidewalk Closure – Richmond Street West

Date:	October 28, 2008
To:	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

PCL Constructors Canada Inc. is renovating an existing 16-storey building at 111 Richmond Street West, on the south side of Richmond Street West, between Sheppard Street and York Street. For this reason, Transportation Services must close the sidewalk and curb lane on the south side of Richmond Street West for 18 months.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that Council approve the following actions:

1. close the sidewalk and curb lane on the south side of Richmond Street West, between a point 52.2 metres west of Sheppard Street and a point 74.6 metres further west, from December 1, 2008, to June 30, 2010;
2. during this period, implement “No Stopping Anytime” on the south side of Richmond Street West, between a point 47.2 metres west of Sheppard Street and a point 84.6 metres further west;
3. during this period, remove the existing “No Parking Anytime” regulation on the south side of Richmond Street West, between a point 47.2 metres west of Sheppard Street and a point 84.6 metres further west;
4. during this period, remove the existing “No Standing, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays” regulation on the south side of Richmond Street West, between a point 47.2 metres west of Sheppard Street and a point 84.6 metres further west;

5. during this period, remove the existing “No Stopping, 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays” regulation on the south side of Richmond Street West, between a point 47.2 metres west of Sheppard Street and a point 84.6 metres further west; and
6. return Richmond Street West to its pre-construction traffic and parking regulations when the project is completed.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact on the City. PCL Constructors Canada Inc. will bear the costs.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Transportation Services has received an application from PCL Constructors Canada Inc., for a temporary sidewalk and lane closure on the south side of Richmond Street West, between a point 52.2 metres west of Sheppard Street and a point 74.6 metres further west, to use as a construction staging area to complete this work. 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 18 months and needs Council’s approval.

COMMENTS

Richmond Street West, between a point 52.2 metres west of Sheppard Street and a point 74.6 metres further west, is 12.8 metres wide and operates one-way with four lanes in the westbound direction. There are existing No Stopping, No Standing and No Parking regulations on both sides of the street. The T.T.C. No. 141, 143 and 144 bus routes use this portion of Richmond Street West.

Reasons for the partial road closure

This property will be undergoing a complete interior renovation, including the replacement of all windows on the building as well as the demolition of an existing two-storey structure attached to the east side of the building. The applicant needs a construction staging area within the road allowance on the south side of Richmond Street West. Pedestrians on the south side of Richmond Street West will be redirected into a temporary walkway beside the construction staging area. Pedestrians on the north side of Richmond Street West will not be affected by this proposal.

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

(1) Drawing No. 421F-9466, dated October, 2008

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