

## Public Works and Infrastructure Committee Item 21.8

*(Considered by City Council on January 27 and 28, 2009)*

PW21.8	Amended			Ward: All
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### **Confirmation of Levels of Service for Roadway and Roadside Winter Maintenance Services (PW20.10)**

#### **City Council Decision**

City Council on January 27 and 28, 2009, adopted the following:

1. City Council confirm the current levels of service for winter maintenance respecting roadway de-icing, roadway snow ploughing, driveway windrow opening, sidewalk snow clearing, and snow removal as outlined in Appendices 1, 3, 5 and 6 as continuing to be appropriate.
2. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services to undertake a pilot project for the removal of windrows at entrances to public laneways at a cost of approximately \$50,000 subject to additional funding being allocated to the 2009 Transportation Services Operating Budget.
3. Part 2 above be referred to the Budget Committee for consideration as part of the 2009 Operating Budget Process.
4. At the end of each snow clearing season, the City Manager be requested to engage all Members of Council in a standardized comprehensive evaluation of the roadway and roadside winter maintenance service for that season, and the results become the basis for improving and building a roadway and roadside winter maintenance plan for the following season.
5. The General Manager, Transportation Services, be requested to report to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee on:
  - a. possible amendments to the policies adopted as a result of the Development Infrastructure Policy and Standards Review (DIPS) as they relate to snow storage and snow removal;

- b. options for the provision of snow ploughing and snow removal on residential public laneways in new and existing residential developments, including requirements for smaller equipment; and
- c. the feasibility of clearing snow around school drop-off areas from curb to curb.

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### **Committee Recommendations**

The Public Works and Infrastructure Committee recommends that:

1. City Council confirm the current levels of service for winter maintenance respecting roadway de-icing, roadway snow ploughing, driveway windrow opening, sidewalk snow clearing, and snow removal as outlined in Appendices 1, 3, 5 and 6 as continuing to be appropriate.
2. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services to undertake a pilot project for the removal of windrows at entrances to public laneways at a cost of approximately \$50,000 subject to additional funding being allocated to the 2009 Transportation Services Operating Budget.
3. Recommendation 2 above be referred to the Budget Committee for consideration as part of the 2009 Operating Budget Process.

### **Committee Decision Advice and Other Information**

The Public Works and Infrastructure Committee requested the General Manager, Transportation Services, to report to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee on changes that could be made to the Snow Emergency By-law to implement additional temporary no parking restrictions on arterial roads signed as snow routes to better accommodate snow clearing and snow removal operations.

### **Origin**

(December 8, 2008) Letter from City Clerk

### **Summary**

Advising that City Council on December 1, 2 and 3, 2008, referred Item PW20.10 containing the following recommendations back to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee for further consideration at its meeting on January 6, 2009:

1. City Council confirm the current levels of service for winter maintenance respecting roadway de-icing, roadway snow ploughing, driveway windrow opening, sidewalk snow clearing, and snow removal as outlined in Appendices 1, 3, 5 and 6 as continuing to be appropriate.

2. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services to undertake a pilot project for the removal of windrows at entrances to public laneways at a cost of approximately \$50,000 subject to additional funding being allocated to the 2009 Transportation Services Operating Budget.
3. Recommendation 2 of this report be referred to Budget Committee for consideration as part of the 2009 Operating Budget Process.

### **Background Information (Committee)**

pw21.8-Letter from City Clerk

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/pw/bgrd/backgroundfile-18062.pdf>)

pw21.8-City Council Decision

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/pw/bgrd/backgroundfile-18063.pdf>)

pw21.8-Confirmation of Levels of Service for Roadway-Staff Report

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/pw/bgrd/backgroundfile-18064.pdf>)

pw21.8-Appendix 1

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/pw/bgrd/backgroundfile-18065.pdf>)

pw21.8-Appendix 2

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/pw/bgrd/backgroundfile-18066.pdf>)

pw21.8-Appendix 3

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/pw/bgrd/backgroundfile-18067.pdf>)

pw21.8-Appendix 4

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/pw/bgrd/backgroundfile-18068.pdf>)

pw21.8-Appendix 5

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/pw/bgrd/backgroundfile-18069.pdf>)

pw21.8-Appendix 6

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/pw/bgrd/backgroundfile-18070.pdf>)

### **Communications (Committee)**

(January 6, 2009) letter from Councillor Peter Milczyn, Ward 5 - Etobicoke-Lakeshore (PW.New.PW21.8.1)

### **Speakers (Committee)**

Councillor Mike Del Grande, Ward 39 - Scarborough-Agincourt