

Extract of Item EY24.25 of the Etobicoke York Community Council meeting held on February 9, 2009.

Other Items Considered by the Community Council

(The Community Council is authorized to take certain actions without Council's approval.)

EY24.25	ACTION			Ward: 17
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St. Clair Avenue West, between Caledonia Road/Caledonia Park Road and Old Weston Road – Road Alterations for the St. Clair Avenue West Transit Improvement Project

Committee Recommendations

Etobicoke York Community Council recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the preparation of a by-law for the alteration of St. Clair Avenue West, between Caledonia Road/Caledonia Park Road and Old Weston Road, to allow construction of the Preferred Design Concept identified through the St. Clair Avenue West Transit Improvements Class Environmental Assessment study process. The modifications, generally as shown on Drawing Nos. 421F-9540, 421F-9541, and 421F-9542 dated January 2009, include:
 - a. Construction of a raised, mountable trackbed in the centre of St. Clair Avenue West, between signalized intersections, with curbs as required, for the exclusive use of public transit vehicles and emergency service vehicles, including Police, Fire, and Emergency Medical Services;
 - b. Widening portion of the pavement up to 2.8 metres, on the north and south sides of St. Clair Avenue West between Caledonia Road/Caledonia Park Road and Old Weston Road; and, widening the pavement up to 7 metres for the section on the south side of St. Clair Avenue West between Old Weston Road to just east of Ford Street, generally as shown on Drawing Nos. 421F-9540, 421F-9541, and 421F-9542 dated January 2009.
 - c. Narrowing the pavement up to 2.1 metres, on St. Clair Avenue West at Caledonia Road (northeast corner), Blackthorn Avenue (northeast and northwest corners), Spring Grove Avenue (southeast and southwest corners), Silverthorn Avenue (northwest side), Cloverdale Avenue (northeast and northwest corners) and Ford Street (southeast and southwest corners) as shown on Drawing Nos. 421F-9540, 421F-9541, and 421F-9542 dated January 2009.
2. City Council authorize the removal of the existing streetcar loading platforms on

St. Clair Avenue West, between Caledonia Road/Caledonia Park Road and Old Weston Road, listed in the attached Appendix “A”.

3. City Council authorize the installation of the proposed streetcar loading platforms on St. Clair Avenue West, between Caledonia Road/Caledonia Park Road and Old Weston Road, listed in the attached Appendix “B”.

Decision Advice and Other Information

Etobicoke York Community Council:

1. Directed the General Manager, Transportation Services, and the Chief, Toronto Fire Services, report to its March 26, 2009 meeting on:
 - a. the serious safety concerns with the St. Clair Avenue West right-of-way within the Etobicoke York District identified in Deputy Chief Bob Leek’s April 9, 2008 detailed analysis of the project, including precise current and projected emergency response times along St. Clair West and a point by point response to the concerns raised including curb heights, access for emergency vehicles on and of the right-of-way and the drivability of the right-of-way in an emergency.

Origin

(January 20, 2009) Report from Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District

Summary

Transportation Services is seeking authority to introduce road alteration by-laws on St. Clair Avenue West, from Caledonia Road/Caledonia Park Road to Old Weston Road, to allow for the construction and implementation of the St. Clair Avenue West Transit Improvement Project as approved by City Council.

Since the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) is the operator of the St. Clair Avenue West Transit Route, City Council approval of this report will be required. The Toronto Transit Commission staff has been fully engaged on this project and is supportive of the recommendations contained in this report.

Background Information

January 20, 2009 report

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ey/bgrd/backgroundfile-18565.pdf>

Attachments

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ey/bgrd/backgroundfile-18566.pdf>