



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Designation of Fire Routes and amendment to Chapter 880 – Fire Routes - 156 & 160 Evans Ave and 829, 833, 839 Oxford Street

Date:	March 15, 2011
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Toronto Fire Services
Wards:	Ward 6
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SUMMARY

To obtain Council approval for the amendment of the Fire Route By-law to designate certain locations as fire routes within the meaning of City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 880, as amended.

Fire Services uses designated fire routes as a key mechanism in regulating fire prevention, including the prevention of spreading of fires and the delivery of fire protection services.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Toronto Fire Services recommends that:

1. City Council designate part or those parts of the private road or roads shown on the site plan filed with the Fire Chief in respect of the municipal addresses set out below, as a fire route pursuant to Municipal Code Chapter 880 – Fire Routes – 156 & 160 Evans Avenue and 829, 833, 839 Oxford Street; and
2. City Council authorise the Fire Chief and City Solicitor to take the appropriate action to make a designated Fire Route.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

DECISION HISTORY

Fire Services receives applications from property owners to designate locations on their properties as fire routes under City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 880. The fire route prohibits the parking of vehicles at the designated location and provides for the removal of such vehicles, to allow continuous access to Fire Services vehicles, equipment and apparatus for the prevention and protection against fires.

Site plans submitted with the applications are examined by Fire Services staff and the locations are recommended for designation as fire routes so long as they satisfy the requirements of Chapter 880, as amended.

COMMENTS

Designation of fire routes ensure appropriate access for fire vehicles across the City and assist with regulating fire prevention and reduce the negative impact of fire on human lives, property and the environment. Applications have been received to designate fire routes for the following locations in the City of Toronto:

- a) 156 & 160 Evans Ave
- b) 829, 833, 839 Oxford Street

Site plans for these locations have been examined by Fire Services. The Fire Chief recommends that the fire routes be designated for the above locations to assist with public safety for residents.

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ATTACHMENTS

Amendment of Chapter 880 Fire Routes