



# STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

## Westbound Lane Designation Amendment – Queens Plate Drive at Highway 27

<b>Date:</b>	January 14, 2014
<b>To:</b>	Etobicoke York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 2 – Etobicoke North
<b>Reference Number:</b>	p:\2014\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc140022-to

### SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval to amend the existing right-turn only lane designation for the northerly westbound lane on Queens Plate Drive, east of Highway 27, by exempting buses.

The lane designation amendment will allow Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) buses, after servicing the north-side transit stop on Queens Plate Drive east of Highway 27, to cross the solid white lane line to merge into the westbound through lane to proceed through the intersection.

Since the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates transit service on Queens Plate Drive, City Council approval of this report is required.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

**Transportation Services recommends that City Council approve:**

1. Exempting buses from the existing right-turn only designation for the northerly westbound lane on Queens Plate Drive, between Highway 27 and a point 30.5 metres east.

### Financial Impact

Type of Funding	Source of Funds	Amount
Available within current budget	Transportation Services Operating Budget	\$100.00

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Transportation Services staff received a request from the TTC to allow transit vehicles, after servicing the north-side transit stop on Queens Plate Drive east of Highway 27, to cross the solid white lane line to merge into the westbound through lane to proceed through the intersection. A map of the area is Attachment 1.

## **COMMENTS**

Queens Plate Drive and Highway 27 is a multi-lane signalized intersection. Queens Plate Drive and Highway 27 are classified in the City's road system as collector and major arterial roads, respectively. There are three lanes (an exclusive right, through and left) on Queens Plate Drive at the east leg of the intersection; there is one westbound receiving through lane west of the intersection. The westbound curb turn lane at the east leg of the intersection is designated as right-turns only. Queens Plate Drive is part of the TTC 37 Islington bus route. A bus stop is currently located on the north side of Queens Plate Drive, approximately 44 metres east of Hwy 27.

Staff proposes a bus exemption to the existing right turn only lane designation for westbound traffic on Queens Plate Drive, east of Highway 27, to allow TTC buses to cross the solid white lane line to merge into the westbound through lane to proceed through the intersection.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1      Map