

Permanent Closure to Vehicular Traffic, the East-West Portion of the Public Lane at the Rear of 179-181 Sheppard Avenue East

Date: March 19, 2017

To: North York Community Council

From: Director, Transportation Services, North York District

Wards: Ward 23 - Willowdale

SUMMARY

Transportation Services recommends that the east-west portion of the public lane at the rear of 179-181 Sheppard Avenue East, be permanently closed to vehicular traffic.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Transportation Services North York District recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the permanent closure to vehicular traffic of the east-west portion of the public lane at the rear of 179-181 Sheppard Avenue East, designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan 66R- 29245, and shown as Part 1 on Sketch No. PS-2017-021 (the "Lane"), attached to the report dated March 19, 2017, from the Director, Transportation Services, North York District.
2. City Council enact a by-law substantially in the form of the draft by-law attached to the report dated March 19, 2017, from the Director, Transportation Services, North York District.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The closing of the Lane is not anticipated to result in any substantial costs to the City. It is estimated that the cost to install jersey barriers at the rear of 179 Sheppard Avenue East is \$300.00 and is available in Transportation Services' 2017 Operating Budget.

The portion of the Lane at the rear of 181 Sheppard Avenue East is an untraveled public lane that will not require any physical barriers to be installed to prevent vehicular traffic from accessing the Lane.

The portion of the Lane at the rear of 179 Sheppard Avenue East is paved and accessible. Should the City wish to prevent vehicles from accessing this portion of the Lane, physical barriers would be required.

The Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

DECISION HISTORY

North York Community Council, at its meeting on January 17, 2017, adopted Item NY19.46, directing the General Manager, Transportation Services to initiate the process and give notice to permanently close the Lane and report back to North York Community Council by May 2, 2017.

COMMENTS

Permanently closing the portion of the Lane at the rear of 181 Sheppard Avenue East to vehicular traffic by by-law will have no impact in its current condition as it is unimproved, overgrown with trees and not currently accessible. The portion of the Lane at the rear of 179 Sheppard Avenue East is paved, accessible and is used by the owners and occupants of that property. Should either of these properties redevelop, this lane will not be available to provide access.

The requirement for the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Schedule "A+" activities will be met during the posting of the public notice on the notices page of the City's web site for at least five working days prior to the North York Community Council meeting at which the proposed by-law to close the Lane will be considered.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - Reference Plan 66R 29245
Attachment 2 - Draft By-law
Attachment 3 - Sketch No. PS-2017-021

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