Motion Without Notice

Temporary Closure of Public Road – Orchard View and Yonge Street

Moved by: Councillor Stintz

SUMMARY:

There is an opportunity to create a safer pedestrian environment and an urban park using a portion of the public road at Orchard View Blvd. and Yonge Street. The temporary closure of the road will be a pilot project from June to Thanksgiving weekend. The road closure will include the installation of planters and benches to prevent vehicle access into Orchard View from Yonge Street.

The local residents association has approved the pilot project unanimously. The local farmers market that is currently located at Eglinton Park has also expressed an interest in relocating to the urban park.

During the pilot project, parking and traffic impacts will be assessed.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That Community Council approve the temporary closure of Orchard View between Yonge Street and to the nearest driveway entrance.
2. That the farmers market located at Eglinton Park be permitted to relocate to the area that is temporarily closed.
3. That the community be invited to participate in a working group to design the temporary urban park in order to maximize community involvement and participation.
4. That the traffic and parking impacts are monitored and reported to Community Council once the road re-opens in October 2011.

Date: May 25, 2011