

## Highway Alterations – Emmett Avenue

<b>Date:</b>	April 18, 2013
<b>To:</b>	Etobicoke York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
<b>Wards:</b>	Ward 11 – York South-Weston
<b>Reference Number:</b>	p:\2013\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc130079-to

### **SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to obtain authorization for roadway alterations related to the 2013 reconstruction of Emmett Avenue. A new sidewalk is to be constructed on the west side of the street, as an extension to the existing sidewalk, from a point 110 metres north of Verona Avenue to a point 600 metres north of Eglinton Avenue West. Also, the existing sidewalk on the east side of Emmett Avenue is to have sectional repairs and is to be widened in the area north of Eglinton Avenue West. These amendments will result in some road narrowing at certain locations. In addition, proposed is the installation of new parking bays on both sides of the street.

Since the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) provides bus service on Emmett Avenue, City Council approval of this report is required.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Transportation Services recommends that Etobicoke York Community Council approve:**

- (1) The alterations and modifications on Emmett Avenue, for extending, reconstructing and widening of the existing sidewalk from 1.5 metres to 2.0 metres in width on the west side of Emmett Avenue, from a point 110 metres north of Verona Avenue to a point 600 metres north of Eglinton Avenue West, as well as on the north and east side of Emmett Avenue, north of Eglinton Avenue, resulting in the slight narrowing of portions of the width of Emmett Avenue of between 0.1 metres to 1.3 metres, and the additions and modification to the existing parking bays on both sides of Emmett Avenue as indicated in Appendix “A”, and generally shown on the attached Drawings y12512p1 - y12512p8.

## **Financial Impact**

The construction of the road and the widening of a portion of sidewalk on Emmett Avenue are included in Technical Services Contracts 13EY-05RD, reconstruction of Emmett Avenue.

## **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

As part of the 2013 reconstruction of Emmett Avenue, sidewalks are proposed to be constructed, reconstructed, widened and extended. A new sidewalk is to be constructed on the west side of Emmett Avenue, from a point 110 metres north of Verona Avenue to a point 600 metres north of Eglinton Avenue West. Portions of the existing sidewalk on the east side of Emmett Avenue are to be reconstructed, widened and extended. The existing parking bay on the west side of the street will be amended to provide parallel parking and additional parking bays will be installed on both sides of the street. With these amendments, portion of the road will be narrowed by between 0.1 metres to 1.3 metres. These highway alterations are shown on the attached maps and described in Appendix "A".

## **COMMENTS**

Emmett Avenue is a two-lane collector road located northwest of the intersection of Eglinton Avenue West and Jane Street with a posted speed limit of 40 km/h. The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) operates a bus service on Emmett Avenue. The proposed extension of the sidewalk will be widened from a width of 1.5 metres to 2.0 metres on the west side of Emmett Avenue, from a point 110 metres north of Verona Avenue to a point 600 metres north of Eglinton Avenue West. A continuous sidewalk currently exists on the east side of the road; however, portions of this sidewalk will have sectional repairs and widening. New parking bays will also be installed. These highway alterations are shown on the attached maps and described in Appendix "A".

The authorization of the road alteration to the City of Toronto Act, 2006, will mitigate the City's legal liability as the road authority. Therefore, it is recommended that Community Council authorize this road alteration.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Appendix "A"  
Attachment 1-8 Maps

Appendix “A”

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**Location Requiring a Highway Alteration**

Ward	Street	At	To	Description of Highway Alteration	Rationale
11	Emmett Avenue	From a point approximately 110 metres north of Verona Avenue	Eglinton Avenue West	The reconstruction and widening curb-side of the existing sidewalk from 1.5 meters to 2.0 metres on a portion of the west side of the road, and a section of the sidewalk on the north and east side of Emmett Avenue north of Eglinton Avenue, the narrowing of portions of the road from between 0.1 metres to 1.3 metres, the installation of new parking bays along with amendments to the existing parking bay	The extension and widening of the sidewalk, thus enhancing pedestrian environment  To provide parallel parking stalls to replace the existing perpendicular stalls