



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Turn Prohibitions – No. 570 Bay Street

Date:	April 23, 2013
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Acting Director, Transportation Services, Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Toronto Centre – Rosedale, Ward 27
Reference Number:	Ts2013078te.top.doc

SUMMARY

Transportation Services is requesting approval from City Council to prohibit eastbound and northbound left turns at all times at No. 570 Bay Street. These proposed turn prohibitions were identified as conditions of approval of Site Plan Application No. 09 1152790 STE 27 SA regarding the development at this location.

The proposed turn prohibitions will minimize the impact of the new driveway at this property on Bay Street traffic.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council prohibit eastbound left turns at all times from the driveway located on the west side of Bay Street, approximately 55 metres south of Dundas Street West, to Bay Street.
2. City Council prohibit northbound left turns at all times from Bay Street to the driveway located on the west side of Bay Street approximately 55 metres south of Dundas Street West.

Financial Impact

Costs, for sign fabrication and installation, in the estimated amount of \$800.00, are the responsibility of the developer.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

A new 29-storey mixed use building at No. 570 Bay Street has been constructed on the southwest corner of Bay Street and Dundas Street West. This building contains 462 residential units, with retail uses at ground level.

Vehicular access to No. 570 Bay Street is proposed via one driveway on Bay Street, located approximately 55 metres south of Dundas Street West. As a part of Site Plan Application No. 09 1152790 STE 27 SA, eastbound and northbound left-turn prohibitions at this access driveway were identified as conditions of approval.

COMMENTS

Bay Street is a four-lane major arterial roadway operating two-way, north-south, and carries approximately 20,000 vehicles a day. Bay Street has a speed limit of 50 km/h and it carries the No. 6 Bay TTC bus route. This bus route operates within "The Bay Street Urban Clearway" which utilizes both curb lanes of Bay Street, and is reserved for transit vehicles, taxicabs and cyclists from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

Access to the underground parking garage and loading area is provided via a two-way driveway on the west side of Bay Street, at the south limit of the site. Motorists wishing to make a northbound left turn into this driveway would delay northbound through traffic. Eastbound left-turn motorists from the driveway could also delay southbound motorists while merging into the northbound queue at the Bay Street/Dundas Street West intersection. In order to minimize the negative impact the new driveway would have on Bay Street, it was recommended that left turns to and from the site be prohibited at all times. City Council approval is required to implement these by-law amendments.

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

(1) Drawing No. 421G-1039, dated April 2013

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