

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Designation of Fire Routes and amendment to Chapter 880 – Fire Routes – amendment to portion of Fire Route at 1320 Islington Avenue

Date:	March 20, 2015
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Fire Chief and General Manager, Toronto Fire Services
Wards:	Ward 05
Reference Number:	p:\2015\ClusterB\FIR\ey150006

SUMMARY

To obtain Council approval for the amendment of the Fire Route By-law to amend the designation of a certain portion of the property municipally known as 1300 & 1320 Islington Avenue as a fire route within the meaning of City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 880, as amended. The portion of the driveway used as a loading and moving area for 1320 Islington Avenue is being removed from the designated fire access route. Removal of this portion does not affect access for firefighting purposes.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Toronto Fire Services recommends that:

- 1. City Council amend Municipal Code Chapter 880, Fire Routes, to remove the loading and moving area from of the private roadway located at the property currently listed in Schedule A, Fire Route Designations to Chapter 880, Fire Routes 1320 Islington Avenue; and
- 2. City Council authorize the Fire Chief and City Solicitor to take the appropriate action to amend the designated Fire Route.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

DECISION HISTORY

This fire access route was originally established by Bylaw No. 1987-134, forming part of Chapter 134 of the former City of Etobicoke Municipal Code, enacted June 25, 1987.

At its October 26, 27 and 28, 2004 meeting, Toronto City Council enacted Bylaw No. 987-2004 which harmonized the fire route by laws for the former six area municipalities of the former Metropolitan Toronto into Municipal Code Chapter 880, Fire Routes, for the City of Toronto. http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/2004/agendas/council/cc041026/cms7rpt/cl002.pdf

The fire route listed as 1300, 1320 Islington Avenue was carried forward into this new chapter.

COMMENTS

Fire Services receives applications from property owners to designate locations on their properties as fire routes under City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 880. The fire route prohibits the parking of vehicles at the designated location and provides for the removal of such vehicles, to allow continuous access to Fire Services vehicles, equipment and apparatus for the prevention and protection against fires. Designation of fire routes ensure appropriate access for fire vehicles across the City and assist with regulating fire prevention and reduce the negative impact of fire on human lives, property and the environment.

An application has been received to amend the designated fire route for the following location in the City of Toronto:

a) 1300 & 1320 Islington Avenue

Site plans for these locations have been examined and inspections completed by Fire Services. The Fire Chief recommends that the fire route for the above location be amended to remove the loading and moving area.

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ATTACHMENTS

Amendment of Chapter 880 Fire Routes