



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Highway Alterations – Highway 27

Date:	March 17, 2015
To:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services - Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 1 – Etobicoke North
Reference Number:	p:\2015\Cluster B\TRA\EtobicokeYork\eycc150051-to

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to obtain authorization for roadway alterations related to the resurfacing of Highway 27. New sidewalk will be constructed on the both sides of Highway 27 from Finch Avenue West to Carrier Drive and on the east side of Highway 27 from Carrier Drive to Steeles Avenue West. Total width of northbound lanes will be reduced by approximately 0.5 metres, however, only for the section from a point 275 metres north of Royalcrest Road to Steeles Avenue West.

Since the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) provides service on this portion of Highway 27, City Council approval of this report is required.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Transportation Services recommends that City Council approve:

- (1) The alterations and modifications on Highway 27, for narrowing northbound lanes by approximately 0.5 metres from a point 275 metres north of Royalcrest Road to Steeles Avenue West, as indicated in Appendix “A”, and generally shown on the attached sketch as Attachments 1 & 2.
- (2) The alterations and modifications on Highway 27, for new sidewalk to be constructed on the both sides of Highway 27 from Finch Avenue West to Carrier Drive and on the east side of Highway 27 from Carrier Drive to Steeles Avenue West, as indicated in Appendix “A”, and generally shown on the attached sketch as Attachment 3.

Financial Impact

Reconstruction and installation of new sidewalk on Highway 27 are included in Engineering and Construction Services Contract 15EY-01RD.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

As part of the 2015 resurfacing of Highway 27, a new sidewalk is proposed along with a narrowing of a portion of the road. New sidewalk will be constructed on the both sides of Highway 27 from Finch Avenue West to Carrier Drive and on the east side of Highway 27 from Carrier Drive to Steeles Avenue West to enhance the pedestrian environment.

This highway alteration is shown on the attached maps and described in Appendix “A”.

COMMENTS

Highway 27 is a four to six lane major arterial road, extending northerly from the Highway 401 provincial highway system and continuing north of Steeles Avenue West into the Region of York. In some sections of the road, there are three lanes in both directions; however, the majority of the road is two lanes for northbound and southbound traffic including the portion from Finch Avenue West to Steeles Avenue West. The statutory speed limit varies between 70 km/h and 80 km/h.

New sidewalk is proposed along with some road narrowing as part of the road resurfacing. As a result, the northbound lanes on Highway 27, from a point 275 metres north of Royalcrest Road to Steeles Avenue West will be narrowed by approximately 0.5 metres.

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 City Council authorize this road alteration.

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ATTACHMENTS

Appendix “A”
Attachment 1 Map
Attachment 2 Map
Attachment 3 Map

Appendix "A"

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Locations Requiring a Highway Alteration

Ward	Street	From	To	Description of Highway Alteration	Rationale
1	Highway 27	Finch Avenue West	Carrier Drive	The construction of new sidewalk on the both sides of the road	To enhance pedestrian environment
1	Highway 27	Carrier Drive	Steeles Avenue West	The construction of new sidewalk on the east side of the road	To enhance pedestrian environment
1	Highway 27	275 metres north of Royalcrest Road	Steeles Avenue West	Narrowing of northbound lanes by approximately 0.5 metres	To accommodate side walk on the east side