

Permanent Closure of the westerly Portion of Buttonwood Avenue adjacent to West Park Healthcare Centre

Date:	April 11, 2018
То:	Etobicoke York Community Council
From:	Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District
Wards:	Ward 11 – York South–Weston

SUMMARY

Transportation Services recommends that the westerly portion of Buttonwood Avenue adjacent to West Park Healthcare Centre ("WPHC") be permanently closed.

In order to modernize and expand the facilities, WPHC submitted Zoning By-law Amendment and Draft Plan of Subdivision Application Nos. 16 121271 WET 11 OZ and 16 190083 WET 11 SB. These applications proposed the construction of a new hospital building with a new public street network and incorporated the westerly portion of Buttonwood Avenue into the development site in order to reconfigure the WPHC campus.

Approval of the above-noted Zoning By-law Amendment application was granted by City Council on July 7, 2017 through the enactment of Zoning By-law 837-2017. With respect to the above-noted Draft Plan of Subdivision application, a Notice of Decision under Section 51(37) of the Planning Act was issued by City Planning on September 18, 2017.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the permanent closure of the westerly portion of Buttonwood Avenue adjacent to WPHC, shown as Part 1 on Sketch No. PS-2018-012 (the "Highway"), attached to the report dated April 11, 2018, from the Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District. 2. City Council enact a by-law substantially in the form of the draft by-law attached as Appendix "A" to the report dated April 11, 2018, from the Director, Transportation Services, Etobicoke York District.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The closing of the Highway will not result in any costs to the City as WPHC is responsible for all costs associated with the closing of the Highway.

The Acting Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

DECISION HISTORY

In accordance with the City's Real Estate Disposal By-law No. 814-2007 (City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 213), the Highway was declared surplus on May 2, 2017 by DAF No. 2017-091, conditional upon City Council approving the permanent closure of the Highway, with the intended manner of disposal to be by way of inviting an offer to purchase the Highway from WPHC.

By DAF No. 2018-038, dated March 5, 2018, the Deputy City Manager, Internal Corporate Services (DCM, ICS), authorized the General Manager, Transportation Services, to give notice to the public of a proposed by-law to close the Highway in accordance with the requirements of the City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 162 and the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Schedule "A+" activities

In addition, DAF No. 2018-038, the DCM, ICS authorized the sale of the Highway to WPHC, conditional upon City Council authorizing the permanent closure of the Highway and upon the reservation of an easement for operation and maintenance of Toronto Water infrastructure, and authorized the grant of permanent easements to Toronto Hydro and Rogers Cable within the Highway.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services has reviewed the feasibility of closing the Highway and has determined that the Highway can be closed and sold to the WPHC subject to the reservation of permanent easements to be granted to the following municipal services and public utilities, as set out below.

Toronto Water – a 525 mm diameter combined sewer, two 300 mm diameter watermains, and a 150 mm watermain;

Toronto Hydro – existing Toronto Hydro assets;

Rogers Cable - existing aerial TV plant.

If necessary, the cost for the removal or relocation of any of the above-noted municipal services or public utilities are the sole responsibility of the WPHC.

The closing process requires approval from City Council. The draft by-law is an Appendix to the report that recommends the closure of the Highway which will be tabled at the same Etobicoke York Community Council meeting at which the public has the opportunity to speak to the matter if they wish to do so.

The requirements for the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Schedule "A+" activities will be met during the posting of the public notice on the notices page of the City's web site for at least five working days prior to the Etobicoke York Community Council meeting at which the proposed by-law to close the Highway will be considered.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Appendix "A" – Draft By-law Attachment 2 – Sketch No. PS-2016-002, dated January 6, 2016 Attachment 1 – Appendix "A"

Authority: Etobicoke York Community Council Item ____, as adopted by City of Toronto Council on _____, 2018.

Enacted by Council:

CITY OF TORONTO Bill No. BY-LAW -2018

To permanently close the westerly portion of the public highway known as Buttonwood Avenue adjacent to West Park Healthcare Centre

Whereas it is recommended that the westerly portion of the public highway known as Buttonwood Avenue adjacent to West Park Healthcare Centre be permanently closed as a public highway; and

Whereas notice of the proposed by-law to permanently close part of the said highway was posted on the notices page of the City's website in accordance with the requirements of City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 162, and the Etobicoke York Community Council heard any person who wished to speak to the matter at its meeting held on April 4, 2018;

The Council of the City of Toronto enacts:

1. The westerly portion of the public highway known as Buttonwood Avenue adjacent to West Park Healthcare Centre, and described as follows, is hereby permanently closed as a public highway:

Part of Lot 2, Concession 5, West of Yonge Street, designated as Part 1, Plan 66R-29921, being part of PIN 10508-0718 (LT)

Enacted and passed on , 2018. Frances Nunziata, Ulli S. Watkiss, Speaker City Clerk

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