



## REPORT FOR ACTION

### **Permanent Closure of a Portion of the North Side of Steeles Avenue West, between Islington Avenue and the Humber River**

**Date:** April 24, 2018

**To:** Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

**From:** General Manager, Transportation Services

**Wards:** Ward 7 - York-West

#### **SUMMARY**

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Transportation Services recommends a portion of the north side of Steeles Avenue West be permanently closed and sold to The Regional Municipality of York ("York Region"), for the construction of a Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition Tower and upgrading to the Humber Pumping Station. York Region will be providing the City with a financial consideration of \$46,000 for the land.

A bus loop that services both York Region Transit and Toronto Transit Commission, as well as an additional portion of public highway, will be retained by the City for public highway purposes.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The General Manager, Transportation Services recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the permanent closure of the portion of public highway known as Steeles Avenue West, shown as Part 1 on Sketch No. PS-2015-040 (the "Highway"), attached to the report dated April 24, 2018 from the General Manager, Transportation Services.
2. City Council enact a by-law substantially in the form of the draft by-laws attached to the report dated April 24, 2018, from the General Manager, Transportation Services.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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The closure of the Highway will not result in any costs to the City as the purchaser of the Highway is responsible to pay all costs associated with the closing of the Highway. York Region will be providing the City with a financial consideration of \$46,000 for the land.

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

## **DECISION HISTORY**

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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 January 20, 2017 by Delegated Approval Form (DAF) No. 2017-027, conditional upon City Council approving the permanent closure of the Highway, with the intended manner of disposal to be by way inviting an offer to purchase from York Region.

By DAF No. 2018-094, dated March 16, 2018, the Director, Real Estate Services, authorized the General Manager, Transportation Services, to give notice to the public of the proposed by-law to close the Highway, in accordance with the requirements of the City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 162 and the requirements of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Schedule "A+" activities.

In addition, by DAF No. 2018-094, the Director, Real Estate Services authorized the sale of the Highway to York Region, conditional upon City Council authorizing the permanent closure of the Highway.

## **COMMENTS**

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Transportation Services has reviewed the feasibility of closing the Highway and has determined that the Part 1 of the Highway can be closed and sold to York Region. Parts 2 and 3 on the attached Sketch No. PS-2015-040 (the "Retained Lands"), will be retained for public highway purposes.

Public highway closures are usually reported to the applicable District Community Council. In this instance, the Highway is outside the City's boundaries, and it was determined that the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee (PWIC) would be the appropriate Committee to hear this matter.

The Highway will be sold subject to the reservation of an access easement over the existing driveway within the Highway for Toronto Water to access their infrastructure located within the Retained Lands.

No other municipal services or public utilities are located within the Highway.

The requirements of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Schedule "A+" activities will be met via the posting of the public notice prior to the PWIC meeting at which the proposed by-law to close the Highway will be considered.

## **CONTACT**

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## **SIGNATURE**

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Barbara Gray, General Manager  
Transportation Services

## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Attachment 1 - Appendix "A" - Draft By-law  
Attachment 2 - Sketch No. PS-2015-040, dated April 17, 2015

**Attachment 1 – Appendix "A"**

Authority: Public Works and Infrastructure Committee Item No. PW[XX], as adopted by City of Toronto Council on May 22, 23 and 24, 2018

**CITY OF TORONTO**

Bill No.

**BY-LAW No. -2018**

**To permanently close a portion of the north side of Steeles Avenue West to the west of  
Islington Avenue**

WHEREAS it is recommended that a portion of the north side of Steeles Avenue West to the west of Islington Avenue, designated as Parts 1-5 on Reference Plan 65R-36665, be permanently closed as a public highway; and

WHEREAS notice of the proposed by-law to permanently close the said public lane was posted on the notices page of the City's web site in accordance with the requirements of City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 162 and no one appeared to address the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee at its meeting held on May 8, 2018.

The Council of the City of Toronto enacts:

1. The public lane, described as follows, is hereby permanently closed:

Part of PIN 03222-0386 (LT)

Part of Lot 26; Registrar's Compiled Plan 9691 being Steeles Avenue designated as  
Parts 1-5 on Reference Plan 65R-36665; Vaughan

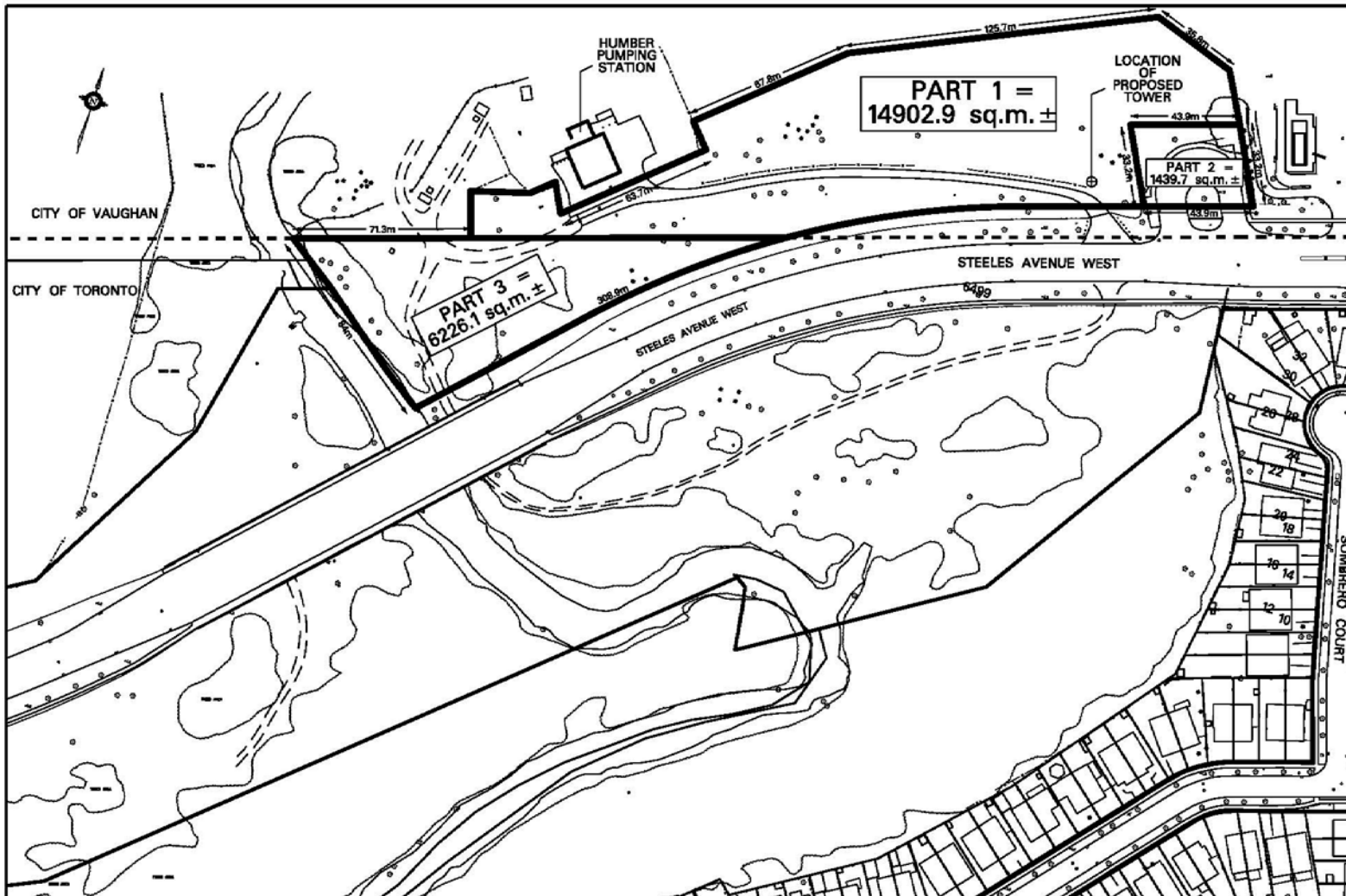
Enacted and passed on , 2018.

Frances Nunziata,  
Speaker

Ulli S. Watkiss,  
City Clerk

(Seal of the City)

Attachment 2 – Sketch No. PS-2015-040 dated April 17, 2015



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ENGINEERING SUPPORT SERVICES  
LAND & PROPERTY SERVICES

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COMPILED FROM OFFICE  
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SHOWN ARE APPROXIMATE

**NOT TO SCALE**

**PROPERTY INFORMATION SHEET**  
**SKETCH SHOWING A PORTION OF STEELES AVENUE WEST  
BETWEEN ISLINGTON AVENUE AND THE HUMBER RIVER**

PREPARED BY: DWAYNE PITT

CHECKED BY: JOHN HOUSE

WARD 7 – YORK-WEST  
DATE: APRIL 17, 2015

SKETCH No. PS-2015-040