



REPORT FOR ACTION

Eglinton Crosstown Light Rail Transit: Temporary Traffic Regulation Amendments

Date: April 1, 2019

To: Scarborough Community Council

From: Director, Transportation Planning and Capital Program, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 20 - Scarborough Southwest and Ward 21 - Scarborough Centre

SUMMARY

This staff report is about a matter that Community Council has delegated authority to make a final decision provided that it is not amended so that it varies with City policy or by-laws.

The purpose of this report is to seek Community Council approval for temporary traffic by-law amendments on Rosemount Drive, Comstock Road and Sinnott Road. The traffic by-law amendments are required to accommodate safe traffic movements and the re-routing of TTC bus service during construction work and partial road closures at the intersection of Eglinton Avenue East and Birchmount Road.

The temporary traffic by-law amendments are required from June 15, 2019 to August 30, 2019.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Transportation Planning and Capital Program, Transportation Services recommends that Scarborough Community Council:

1. Rescind the existing parking prohibition in effect at all times on the east side of Rosemount Drive, between Maida Vale and a point 79.3 metres south of Maida Vale, from June 15, 2019 to August 30, 2019.
2. Prohibit stopping at all times on the east side of Rosemount Drive, between Eglinton Avenue East and Bertrand Avenue, from June 15, 2019 to August 30, 2019.
3. Rescind the existing stopping prohibition in effect from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on the south side of Comstock Road, between Sinnott Road and Birchmount Road, from June 15, 2019 to August 30, 2019.

4. Rescind the existing one-hour maximum parking regulation in effect at all times except 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on the south side of Comstock Road, between Sinnott Road and Birchmount Road, from June 15, 2019 to August 30, 2019.

5. Prohibit stopping at all times on the south side of Comstock Road, between Sinnott Road and Birchmount Road, from June 15, 2019 to August 30, 2019.

6. Rescind the existing one-hour maximum parking regulation in effect on the east and west sides of Sinnott Road, between Eglinton Avenue East and Civic Road, from June 15, 2019 to August 30, 2019.

7. Prohibit parking at all times on the east and west sides of Sinnott Road, between Eglinton Avenue East and Civic Road, from June 15, 2019 to August 30, 2019.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact to the City of Toronto associated with the recommendations in this report. Metrolinx's contractor, Crosslinx Transit Solutions, will be responsible for all costs related to the installation of the approved signage, pavement makings and traffic signal timing adjustments.

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

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting of November 30, December 1, 2, 4 and 7, 2009, City Council adopted item CC42.7 Eglinton LRT Transit Project Assessment. The Council decision can be found at:

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/cc/bgrd/backgroundfile-25444.pdf>

At its meeting of March 31, 2016, City Council adopted item PW11.5 entitled Metrolinx LRT Projects – Delegation to the General Manager, Transportation Services, to Approve Road Closures Up To And Including 365 Consecutive Days for the Metrolinx Crosstown LRT. This authorized the General Manager, Transportation Services, to temporarily close any highway or part of a highway, until January 1, 2021, for a period up to and including 365 consecutive days as required for the purposes of construction of the Metrolinx Eglinton Crosstown LRT project. The authorization did not extend to the F. G. Gardiner Expressway, the Don Valley Parkway, the W. R. Allen Road, Black Creek Drive or Highway 27. As part of the action, it was noted that Metrolinx has developed and implemented a comprehensive communications program utilizing a variety of meeting techniques to keep City Councillors and their staff apprised of plans and developments related to the project. From this plan, the proposals outlined in this report has been developed. The Council decision can be found at:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2016.PW11.5>

COMMENTS

The construction of the Metrolinx Crosstown LRT project is currently progressing through the at-grade section of the corridor, which extends from Brentcliffe Road to Kennedy Road. Major construction activities within the at-grade section consist of utility work, widening of Eglinton Avenue East, roadway paving and installation of the LRT guideway. Partial road closures are required to facilitate construction of the transit related infrastructure through the at-grade intersections.

The roadway widening and paving at the intersection of Eglinton Avenue East and Birchmount Road will require successive closures of the north and south portions of the intersection over a weekend. As shown on Attachment 1, with the partial road closure in place, the east-west traffic movements on Eglinton Avenue East will be maintained and either the north or south approach of the intersection will be converted to a T-intersection.

The installation of the LRT guideway through the intersection of Eglinton Avenue East and Birchmount Road will require closure of the east-west middle portion of the intersection for a period of six weeks. As shown on Attachment 2, with the partial road closure in place, east-west traffic movements on Eglinton Avenue East will be maintained and both the north and south approaches of the intersection will be converted to a T-intersection.

The above mentioned road closures are planned to be implemented between June 15, 2019 to August 30, 2019. During the proposed road closures, pedestrian movements and emergency vehicle access will be maintained. Furthermore, in order to minimize area wide traffic impacts, no roadway paving and LRT guideway related works will be undertaken at the adjacent intersections of Eglinton Avenue East and Thermos Road/Sinnott Road and Eglinton Avenue East and Rosemount Drive.

As a result of the required partial closures, TTC bus route 17 Birchmount that passes through the intersection of Eglinton Avenue East and Birchmount Road will be temporarily detoured as shown on Attachment 3. Traffic by-law modifications on Rosemount Drive, Comstock Road and Sinnott Road will be required to facilitate efficient movement of buses and general traffic.

Councillor Gary Crawford's and Councillor Michael Thomson's offices has been advised of the recommendations of this staff report.

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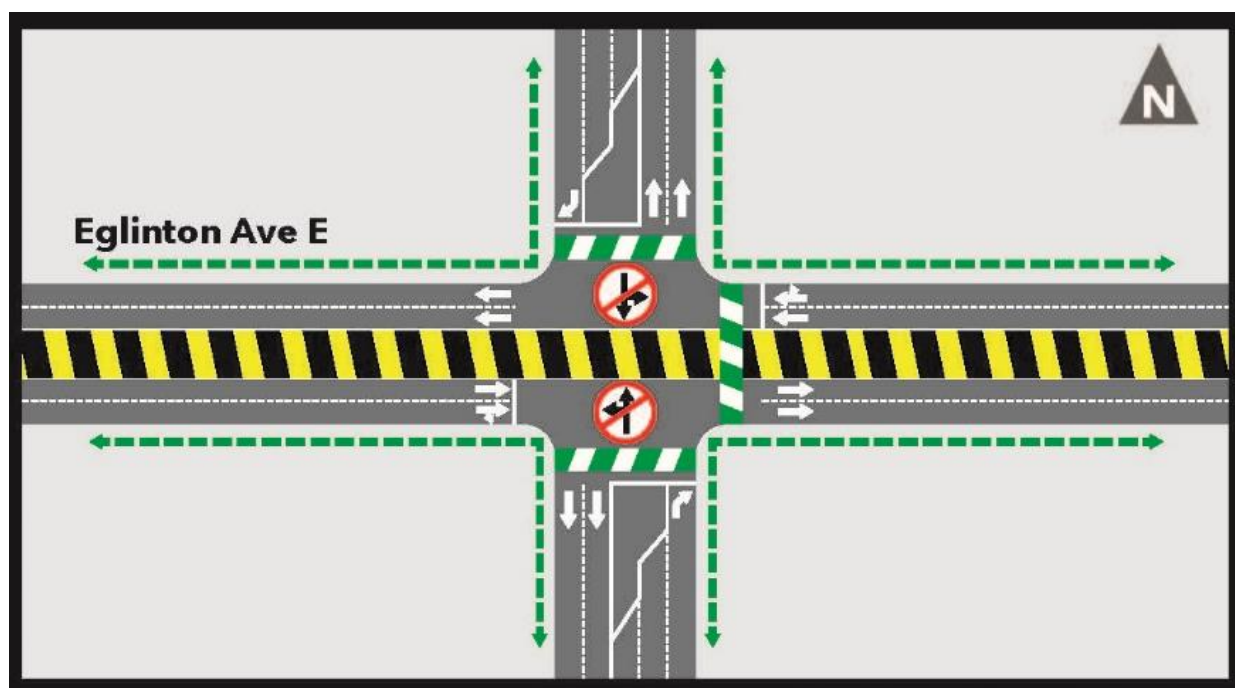
ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Eglinton Crosstown LRT Traffic Regulation Amendments - Intersection Operations during Roadway Paving
Attachment 2: Eglinton Crosstown LRT Traffic Regulation Amendments - Intersection Operations during LRT Guideway Installation
Attachment 3: Eglinton Crosstown LRT Traffic Regulation Amendments - TTC Bus Route 17 Birchmount Detour
Attachment 4: Eglinton Crosstown LRT Traffic Regulation Amendments - Location Map

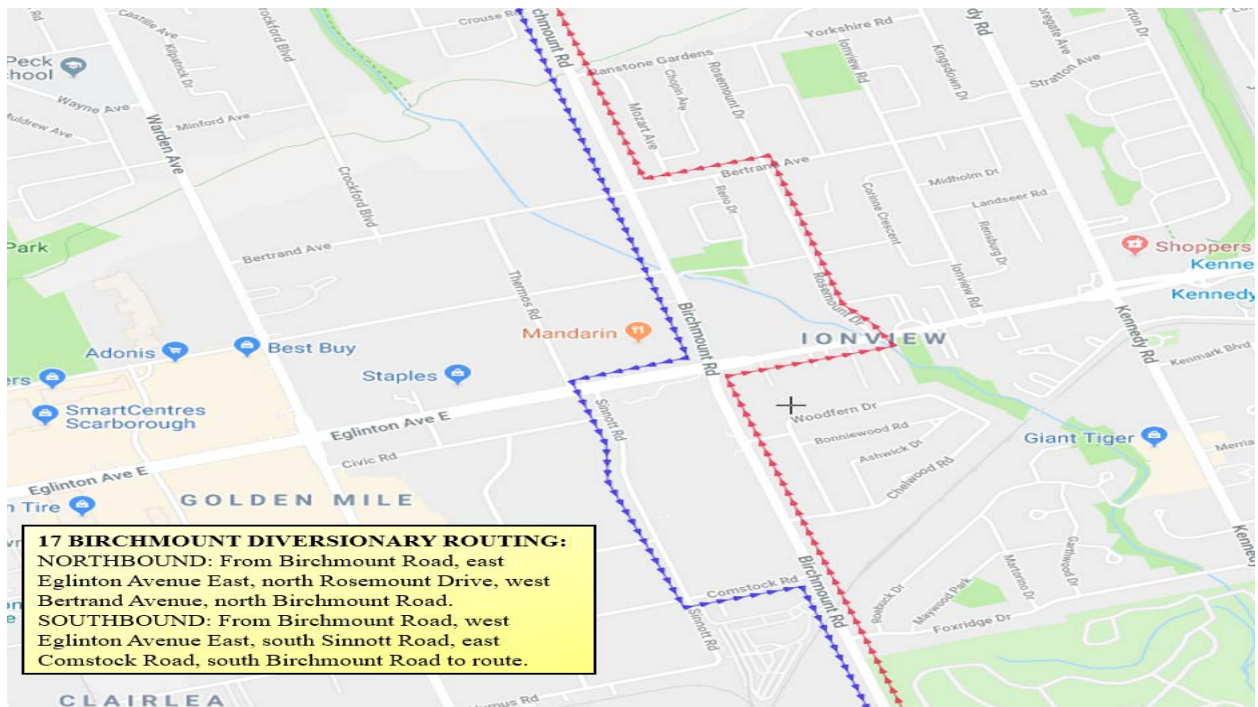
Attachment 1: Eglinton Crosstown Light Rail Transit Traffic Regulation Amendments - Intersection Operations during Roadway Paving



Attachment 2: Eglinton Crosstown Light Rail Transit Traffic Regulation Amendments -
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Attachment 3: Eglinton Crosstown Light Rail Transit Traffic Regulation Amendments - TTC Bus Route 17 Birchmount Detour



Attachment 4: Eglinton Crosstown Light Rail Transit Traffic Regulation Amendments - Location Map

