

Permanent Closure of a Portion of Front Street West Adjacent to the North Side of 61 Front Street West

Date: December 12, 2018

To: Toronto and East York Community Council

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

Wards: Ward 10, Spadina-Fort York

SUMMARY

Transportation Services recommends that a portion of Front Street West, adjacent to the north side of 61 Front Street West, be permanently closed to enable operational management of the closed portion to be transferred to Real Estate Services for use as part of Union Station.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. City Council authorize the permanent closure of a portion of Front Street West adjacent to the north side of 61 Front Street West, designated as Parts 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 9 on Plan 66R-30375 and shown as Part 1 on Sketch No. PS-2016-084 (the "Highway"), attached to the report dated December 12, 2018, from the Director, Transportation Planning and Capital Program, Transportation Services.
2. City Council enact a by-law substantially in the form of the draft by-law attached as Appendix "A" to the report dated December 12, 2018, from the Director, Transportation Planning and Capital Program, Transportation Services.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The closing of the Highway will not result in any costs to the City as operational management will be transferred to Real Estate Services for use as part of Union Station.

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

DECISION HISTORY

By DAF No. 2018-289, dated August 14, 2018, the Deputy City Manager, Internal Corporate Services declared surplus easement interests in parts of the Highway, conditional upon City Council approving the permanent closure of the Highway, with the intended method of disposal to be by way of a transfer of easement to each of Toronto Hydro, Enwave and Zayo to protect existing infrastructure located within the Highway.

By DAF No. 2018-290, dated August 14, 2018, the Deputy City Manager, Internal Corporate Services 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 City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 162 and the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Schedule "A+" activities. This DAF also authorized the granting of easements or licences to each of Toronto Hydro, Enwave and Zayo, for nominal consideration, over such portions of the Highway as may be required to protect existing infrastructure located within the Highway and the transfer of operational management of the Highway to Real Estate Services, for use as part of Union Station, all conditional upon the permanent closure of the Highway.

COMMENTS

Transportation Services has reviewed the feasibility of closing the Highway and has determined that the Highway can be closed to enable operational management to be transferred to Real Estate Services for use as part of Union Station.

The following utilities and telecommunication facilities are located within the Highway and will require easements or licences following the closure of the Highway:

- Enwave - underground steam plant
- Toronto Hydro - 6W1H concrete encased duct
- Zayo (formerly Allstream) - manhole

In addition, Toronto Water has an active 1500mm diameter combined sewer and a 1200mm diameter water transmission line located in the Highway. As the City is retaining ownership of the Highway, an easement is not required for Toronto Water purposes.

The closing process requires approval from City Council. The draft by-law is an Appendix to this report and is tabled at the same Toronto and East York Community Council report 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 Toronto and East York Community Council meeting at which the proposed by-law to close the Highway will be considered.

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Transportation Services

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attachment 1 - Appendix "A" - Draft By-law
2. Attachment 2 - Sketch No. PS-2016-084, dated June 21, 2016

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APPENDIX "A"

Authority: Toronto and East York Community Council, Item TE ____, as adopted by City of Toronto Council on ____, 2019.

CITY OF TORONTO

Bill

BY-LAW -2019

To permanently close a portion of Front Street West adjacent to the north side of 61 Front Street West.

Whereas it is recommended that a portion of Front Street West adjacent to the north side of 61 Front Street West be permanently closed as a public highway; and

Whereas notice of the proposed by-law to permanently close the said highway 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 the Toronto and East York Community Council heard any person who wished to speak to the matter at its meeting held on ____, 2019;

The Council of the City of Toronto enacts:

1. A portion of Front Street West adjacent to the north side of 61 Front Street West, legally described as follows, is hereby permanently closed as a public highway:

FIRSTLY:

PART OF PIN 21409-0048 (LT)
PART OF LOT 2, PLAN 12164 TORONTO AND PART OF FRONT STREET,
PLAN TOWN OF YORK TORONTO, DESIGNATED AS PARTS 1 AND 3,
PLAN 66R-30375; CITY OF TORONTO

SECONDLY:

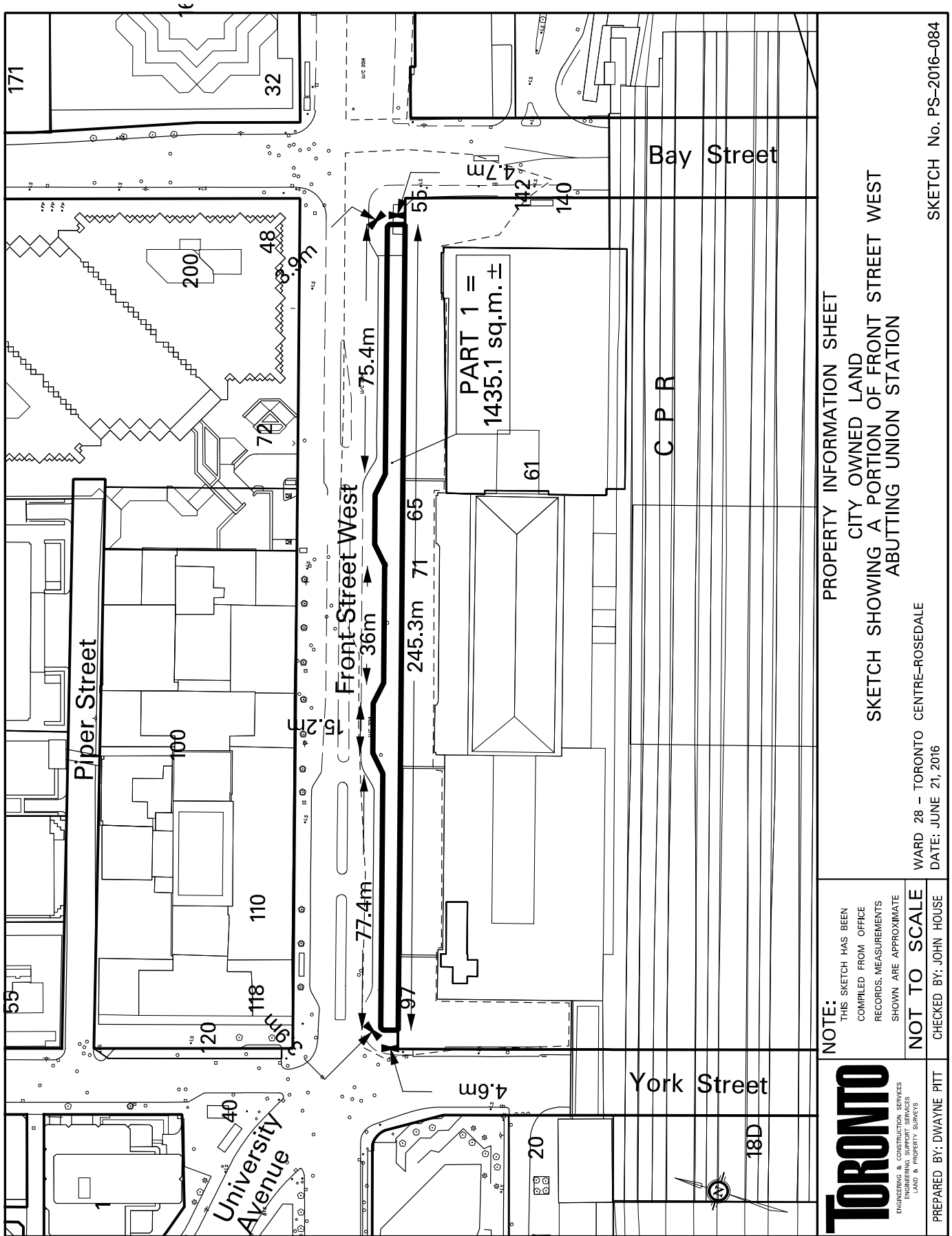
PART OF PIN 21409-0048 (LT)
PART OF LOT 2, PLAN 12164 TORONTO, DESIGNATED AS PARTS 4, 6, 7,
8 AND 9, PLAN 66R-30375; CITY OF TORONTO

Enacted and passed on ____, 2019.

[INSERT NAME OF SPEAKER HERE],
Speaker

Ulli S. Watkiss,
City Clerk

(Seal of the City)



PROPERTY INFORMATION SHEET CITY OWNED LAND SKETCH SHOWING A PORTION OF FRONT STREET WEST ABUTTING UNION STATION		WARD 28 - TORONTO CENTRE-ROSEDALE DATE: JUNE 21, 2016	SKETCH No. PS-2016-084
TORONTO <small>ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION SERVICES LAND & PROPERTY SURVEYS</small>	NOTE: THIS SKETCH HAS BEEN COMPILED FROM OFFICE RECORDS. MEASUREMENTS SHOWN ARE APPROXIMATE	WARD 28 - TORONTO CENTRE-ROSEDALE DATE: JUNE 21, 2016	
	NOT TO SCALE CHECKED BY: JOHN HOUSE		
PREPARED BY: DWAYNE PITT			