

## **Permanent Closure of a portion of Murray Ross Parkway abutting 5 Shoreham Drive**

**Date:** June 9, 2022

**To:** Etobicoke York Community Council

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

**Wards:** Ward 7, Humber River-Black Creek

### **SUMMARY**

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As this report proposes permanently closing a portion of a public highway, City Council approval of this report is required.

Transportation Services recommends that a portion of the untraveled public road known as Murray Ross Parkway, abutting 5 Shoreham Drive, as shown in Appendix "A" be permanently closed. Once closed the untraveled public road will be leased to Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) for use as a driveway and parking area in accordance with the Notice of Approval Conditions (NOAC) issued in connection with the redevelopment of 5 Shoreham Drive.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

1. City Council authorize the permanent closure of the untraveled public road known as Murray Ross Parkway (the "Lands"), shown as Part 1 on Sketch No. PS-2020-016 and Part 2 on Reference Plan 66R-31319, attached as Attachments 1 and 2 to the report dated June 9, 2022, from the Director, Transportation Planning and Capital Program, Transportation Services; and
2. City Council enact a by-law substantially in the form of the draft by-law attached as Attachment 3 to the report dated June 9, 2022, from the Director, Transportation Planning and Capital Program, Transportation Services.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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There is no financial impact to the City arising out of the proposed stop up and closure as public highway of the Lands.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

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At its meeting held on September 22, 23 and 24, 2003, City Council enacted By-Law 811-2003 to permanently close a portion of the Murray Ross Parkway road allowance, extending southerly from Shoreham Drive. In addition to the Lands, the planned driveway will include the use of a portion of Murray Ross Parkway previously closed by By-Law 811-2003 (as amended) and leased to the owners of the adjacent property, known municipally as 1 Shoreham Drive (the "Aviva Centre").

## **COMMENTS**

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Transportation Services has reviewed the feasibility of closing the Lands and has determined that the Lands can be closed and leased to TRCA for the use as a driveway and parking area in accordance with the NOAC issued in connection with the redevelopment of lands municipally known as 5 Shoreham Drive. The driveway will be shared with 1 Shoreham Drive to reduce the land use footprint of the development. This will reduce the impact on the local traffic circulation through the use of shared signalized intersection.

Notably, pursuant to Section 4.3(1) of the Official Plan, the Lands are designated Natural Areas, and therefore cannot be disposed of pursuant to Section 4.3(8) of the Official Plan. Accordingly, the Lands will be leased to TRCA, in lieu of disposal.

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

The requirements of 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 website for at least five (5) working days prior to the Etobicoke York Community Council meeting at which the proposed by-law to close the Lands will be considered.

## **CONTACT**

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## **SIGNATURE**

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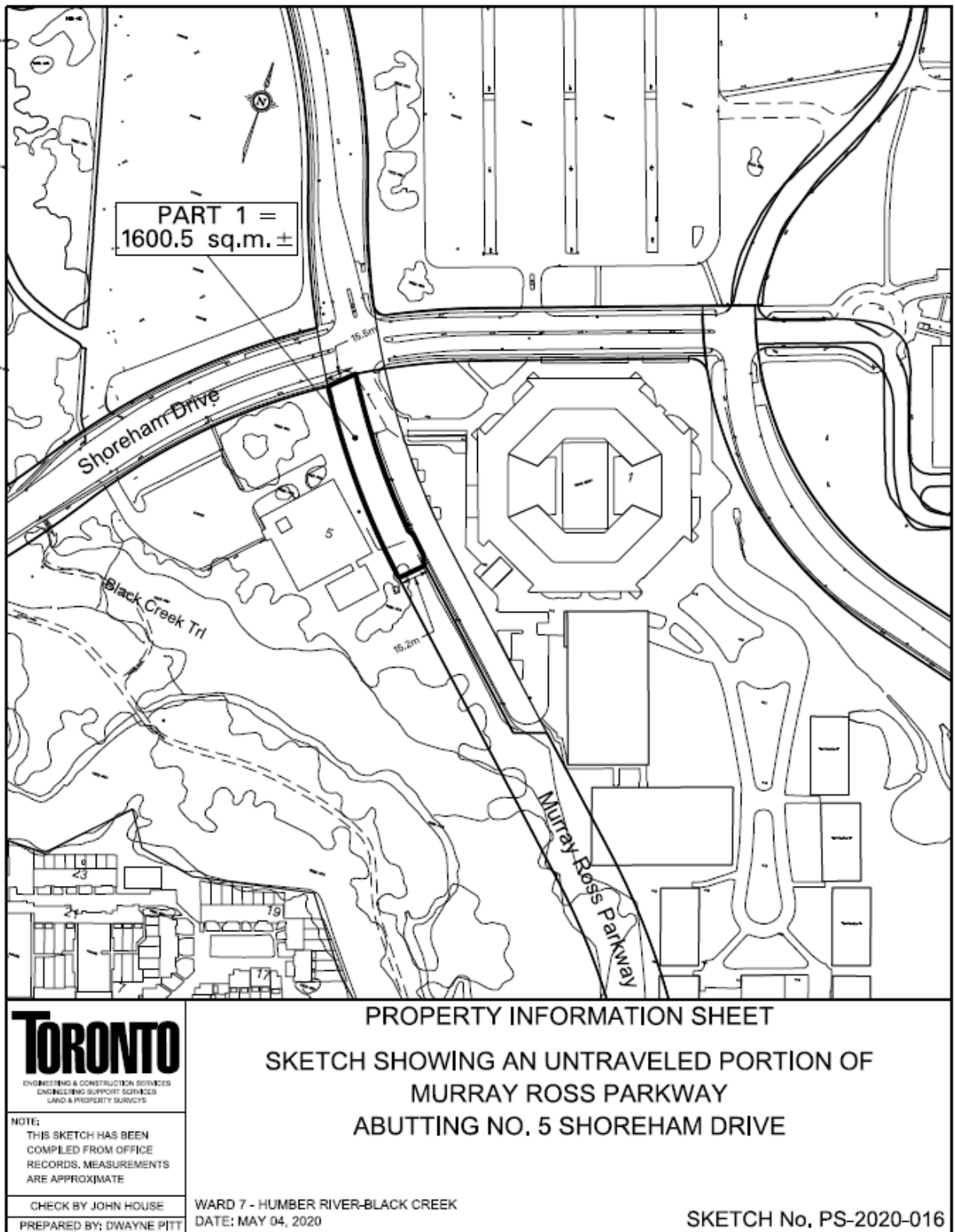
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Ashley Curtis, Director  
Transportation Planning and Capital Program  
Transportation Services

## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Attachment 1 – Appendix "A" - Sketch No. PS-2020-016  
Attachment 2 – Appendix "B" - Reference Plan 66R-31319  
Attachment 3 – Appendix "C" - Draft By-law





### Attachment 3 – Appendix "C" – Draft By-law

Authority: Etobicoke York Community Council Item  
EY as adopted by City of Toronto Council on July 19 & 20, 2022

#### **CITY OF TORONTO**

#### **Bill**

#### **BY-LAW -2022**

#### **To permanently close part of an untraveled portion of Murray Ross Parkway**

Whereas it is recommended that part of an untraveled portion of Murray Ross Parkway described as Part of Lots 22-25 Con 4 W.Y.S Township of York as in NY549377, Pt 1 64R-10786; being Murray Ross Parkway (Formerly Columbia Road) between Steeles Ave W and Keele St., Toronto (N York), City of Toronto, designated as Part 2 on Reference Plan 66R-31319, be permanently closed as a public highway; and

Whereas notice of the proposed by-law to permanently close part of the said 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 the Etobicoke York Community Council heard any person who wished to speak to the matter at its meeting held on June 27, 2022,

The Council of the City of Toronto enacts:

1. Part of the public lane described below is hereby permanently closed as a public highway:

Part of PIN 10245-0050 (LT)

Being that part of Part of Lots 22-25 Con 4 W.Y.S Township of York as in NY549377, Pt 1 64R-10786; being Murray Ross Parkway (Formerly Columbia Road) between Steeles Ave W and Keele St., Toronto (N York), City of Toronto,

designated as Part 2 on Reference Plan 66R-31319

Enacted and passed on , 2022

Frances Nunziata,  
Speaker

John D. Elvidge,  
City Clerk

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