
City Council

Notice of Motion

MM47.35	ACTION			Ward: All
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Re-Opening and Amending IE26.10 Regarding Palmerston Square, Tecumseth Street and Lennox Street - by Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Joe Mihevc

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to a re-opening of Item IE26.10. A two-thirds vote is required to re-open that Item. If re-opened, the previous Council decision remains in force unless Council decides otherwise.*

Recommendations

Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Joe Mihevc, recommends that:

1. City Council amend its previous decision on Item 2021.IE26.10 by:
 - a. deleting the following Part 3c on the installation of cycle tracks or adjustments to cycle track by-laws:
 - 3c. Palmerston Boulevard (from Bloor Street West to College Street);
 - b. adding the following new sections of roadway to Part 4 on the installation or adjustments of contra-flow bicycle lanes, or bicycle lane by-law amendments:
 - h. Palmerston Boulevard (from Bloor Street West to Lennox Street; Herrick Street to College Street); and
 - i. Lennox Street (from Palmerston Boulevard to Markham Street).
2. City Council authorize the installation or adjustments of contra-flow bicycle lanes, and cycling regulations required in Chapter 886, on the following sections of roadway, as generally described in Attachment 1 to Motion MM47.35.
 - a. Palmerston Boulevard (from Bloor Street West to College Street; and
 - b. Lennox Street (from Palmerston Boulevard to Markham Street)
3. City Council authorize the amendments to Chapter 925 and Chapter 950 associated with Recommendations 1 and 2 above, and By-law accuracy for the City Council approved Palmerston-Tecumseth Cycling Connections project, as generally described in Attachment 2 to Motion MM47.35.

4. City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services to establish metrics and commence data collection on impacts to motor vehicle and cycling traffic following the completion of construction of the Palmerston-Tecumseth Cycling Connections project and provide an update to stakeholders and the public 12 months after construction completion.

Summary

In December 2021, City Council authorized the installation of new bikeways on Palmerston Avenue, Palmerston Square, Palmerston Boulevard and Tecumseth Street and directed the General Manager, Transportation Services, as part of the Palmerston / Tecumseth project, to work in consultation with the local Councillors and stakeholders to host an additional community meeting on the project in advance of installation to communicate and hear feedback on the approved design (Item 2021.IE26.10).

In April 2022, Item 2021.IE26.10 was re-opened and adjustments made based on feedback on Palmerston Area, Tecumseth Street and Mitchell Avenue residents (Item 2022.MM42.25).

Since early 2022, staff hosted the following meetings with stakeholders and the community:

- January 31, 2022 - Meeting with 3 business owners along Tecumseth Street, between Queen Street and Mitchell Avenue;
- February 24, 2022 - Meeting with several residents of the Mirvish Village Neighbourhood;
- February 28, 2022 - Meeting with several residents of Mitchell Avenue; and
- July 5, 2022 - Public Information Event.

Based on the additional feedback received from local stakeholders, the following modifications are recommended:

- a. Palmerston Boulevard between Bloor Street West and Lennox Street - convert to one-way northbound along with contra-flow bike lane;
- b. Maintain Palmerston Boulevard from Lennox Street to Herrick Street as two-way along with shared lane markings; and
- c. Lennox Street between Markham Street and Palmerston Boulevard – convert to one-way eastbound along with a contra-flow bike lane.

Therefore I ask that City Council approve the recommendations in this Motion to make adjustments to the Palmerston/Tecumseth Cycling Connections project.

REQUIRES RE-OPENING

Item IE26.10 (December 15, 16 and 17, 2021 City Council meeting) only as it pertains to Palmerston Square, Tecumseth Street and Lennox Street.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM47.35

Attachments 1 and 2 - Amendments to Bicycle Lane Designations and Amendments to Traffic and Parking Regulations

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2022/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-228679.pdf>

