

## **Designation of Fire Routes and amendment to Chapter 880 - Fire Routes - 2, 10, 20, 30, 40 and 50 Merchant Lane**

**Date:** March 17, 2022

**To:** Toronto and East York Community Council

**From:** Acting Fire Chief and General Manager - Emergency Management

**Wards:** 9

### **SUMMARY**

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To obtain Toronto and East York Community Council approval for the amendment of the Fire Route By-law, to designate certain locations as fire routes within the meaning of City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 880, as amended.

Fire Services use designated fire routes as a key mechanism in regulating fire prevention, including the prevention of the spreading of fires and the delivery of fire protection services.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The Acting Fire Chief and General Manager - Emergency Management, recommends that:

1. Toronto and East York Community Council designate that part or those parts of the private road or roads shown on the site plan filed with the Fire Chief, in respect of the municipal addresses set out below, as fire routes pursuant to Municipal Code Chapter 880 - Fire Routes - 2, 10, 20, 30, 40 and 50 Merchant Lane.
2. Toronto and East York Community Council authorize the Fire Chief and City Solicitor to take the appropriate action to make a designated Fire Route.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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There are no financial implications associated with this report.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

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Fire Services receive applications from property owners to designate locations on their properties as fire routes under City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 880. The fire route prohibits the parking of vehicles at the designated location and provides for the removal of such vehicles, to allow continuous access to Fire Services vehicles, equipment and apparatus for the prevention and protection against fires.

Site plans submitted with the applications are examined by Fire Services staff and the locations are recommended for designation as fire routes so long as they satisfy the requirements of Chapter 880, as amended.

## **COMMENTS**

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Designation of fire routes ensure appropriate access for fire vehicles across the City and assist with regulating fire prevention and reduce the negative impact of fire on human lives, property and the environment. An application has been received to designate a fire route for the following location in the City of Toronto:

- 2, 10, 20, 30, 40 and 50 Merchant Lane

Site plans for this location have been examined by Fire Services. The Acting Fire Chief and General Manager - Emergency Management, recommends that the fire route be designated for the above location to assist with public safety for residents.

## **CONTACT**

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Amendment of Chapter 880 Fire Routes