

Mirvish Village Business Improvement Area Minor Boundary Expansion

Date: April 6, 2023
To: Economic and Community Development Committee
From: General Manager, Economic Development and Culture
Wards: 11 – University-Rosedale

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to recommend a minor expansion of the Mirvish Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) boundary to include the public right of way in front of the Bathurst Subway Station east entrance, located at 655 Markham Street.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The General Manager, Economic Development and Culture, recommends that:

1. City Council designate the area outlined in Attachment 1 as the expanded Mirvish Village Business Improvement Area under the City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 19, Business Improvement Areas.
2. City Council direct the Chief Technology Officer to prepare designation By-law maps of the area outlined in Attachment 1, and submit them to the City Solicitor.
3. City Council amend the City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 19, Business Improvement Areas, as necessary to reflect the expanded boundaries of the Mirvish Village Business Improvement Area.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Economic Development and Culture's 10-Year Capital Budget and Plan may be impacted in future years should streetscape or other capital improvements be undertaken by the expanded Mirvish Village BIA. Capital improvements are cost-shared between the BIA and Economic Development and Culture.

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

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting of July 21, 2005, City Council approved the designation of The Mirvish Village BIA by by-law 625-2005.

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/2005/agendas/council/cc050719/cofa.pdf>

COMMENTS

At its board meeting held on May 3, 2020, the board of directors of the Mirvish Village BIA adopted a motion for a minor expansion to include the public right of way in front of the Bathurst Subway Station east entrance located at 655 Markham Street. On December 14, 2021, the Mirvish Village BIA general membership at their AGM unanimously agreed to proceed with the minor expansion, following up with written request to the City of Toronto.

Chapter 19 of the Toronto Municipal Code sets out the procedures to expand a business improvement area. The proposed expansion is considered minor under Section 19-2.5 of the Municipal Code, and therefore, no polling is required

https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/municode/1184_019.pdf

The expansion of the Mirvish Village BIA boundaries would allow the BIA to undertake streetscape improvements including a parkette in the public right of way, located at the frontage of the Bathurst subway station. City staff met with Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) representatives to discuss future capital improvement plans and inform them of the proposed expansion to include the public right of way facing 655 Markham Street, known as Markham Street Entrance.

It is recommended that Council designate the area described by Attachment No. 1 as the amended Mirvish Village Business Improvement Area under Chapter 19 of the Toronto Municipal Code.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – The proposed expanded Mirvish Village BIA Map

Attachment 1 - Map of proposed expanded Mirvish Village BIA



