

Metrolinx Eglinton Crosstown LRT - At-grade Segment - Traffic and Parking By-law Amendments

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To: Infrastructure and Environment Committee

From: Acting General Manager, Transportation Services

Wards: 15 - Don Valley West, and 16 - Don Valley East, 20 - Scarborough Southwest, and 21 - Scarborough Centre

SUMMARY

The Eglinton Crosstown Light Rail Transit (ECLRT) project, delivered by Metrolinx, has reached an advanced stage of completion. Train testing and Revenue Service Demonstration are currently underway to verify system performance and operational readiness.

As the project advances towards operational readiness, City traffic and parking by-laws must be updated to reflect the permanent roadway conditions within the at-grade segment of Eglinton Avenue East, between Kennedy Road and Brentcliffe Road, in preparation for the opening of the ECLRT.

This report seeks City Council authority to enact the necessary amendments to City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 903, Parking for Persons with Disabilities, and Chapter 950, Traffic and Parking, to align with the final built conditions of the at-grade segment of the ECLRT corridor.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Acting General Manager, Transportation Services, recommends that:

1. City Council approve the traffic and parking regulation amendments associated with the final built conditions of the Eglinton Avenue East, between Kennedy Road and Brentcliffe Road and authorize the associated amendment to City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 903, Parking for Persons with Disabilities, and Chapter 950, Traffic and Parking, as listed in Attachment A to the report (October 15, 2025) from the General Manager, Transportation Services.
2. City Council authorize the appropriate City officials to introduce the necessary bills to give effect to City Council's decision and City Council authorize the City Solicitor to

make any necessary clarifications, refinements, minor modifications, technical amendments, or by-law amendments as may be identified by the City Solicitor or General Manager, Transportation Services, in order to give effect to Recommendation 1.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact to the City. Metrolinx and the Project Co. are responsible for all costs of installing the new signage, pavement markings, and associated traffic control devices along the Eglinton Avenue corridor within the ECLRT project limits. The Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer has reviewed the report and agreed with the financial impact information.

DECISION HISTORY

City Council, at its meeting on April 7 and 8, 2021, adopted Item 2021.IE.20.15 and approved designation of reserved lane for Eglinton Crosstown Light Rail Transit Segregated Right-of-Way and Speed Limit on the LRT reserved lane.

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2021.IE20.15>

City Council, at its meeting on April 17 and 18, 2024, adopted Item 2024.MM.17.4 and approved new traffic signals at the intersection of Eglinton Avenue East and Gervais Drive, Eglinton Avenue East and a point 54 metres north of Eglinton Avenue East, and Don Mills Road and a point 83 metres north of Eglinton Avenue East.

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2024.MM17.4>

City Council, at its meeting, on October 30, 31, and December 1, 2012, adopted with amendments, Item 2012.CC27.6 and approved the Metrolinx-City of Toronto-Toronto Transit Commission Master Agreement for Light Rail Transit Projects in the City, including the Eglinton Crosstown LRT.

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2012.CC27.6>

City Council, at its meeting, on February 8, 2012, adopted with amendments, Item 2012.CC17.1 and affirmed its support for the light rail transit (LRT) plan for Toronto, including the Eglinton Crosstown LRT.

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2012.CC17.1>

City Council, at its meeting, on November 30, December 1 to 7, 2009, adopted with amendments, Item 2009.CC42.7 and approved the Eglinton LRT Transit Project Assessment.

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2009.CC42.7>

COMMENTS

The ECLRT is a 19-kilometre-long light rail line extending from Mount Dennis Station in the west to Kennedy Station in the east, with 25 stations and stops. The line will provide a rapid east-west transit connection across the City, linking several major transit hubs, including Eglinton, Eglinton West, and Kennedy Stations.

The ECLRT operates at grade between Kennedy Road and Brentcliffe Road, with the LRT running within a dedicated median separated from general traffic. Within this segment, the corridor includes signalized intersections to accommodate safe crossing movements for vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists. The LRT alignment then transitions underground west of Brentcliffe Road, continuing beneath Eglinton Avenue toward Yonge Street and beyond.

The project, delivered by Metrolinx, has reached an advanced stage of completion. Revenue Service Demonstration is currently underway to verify the performance of vehicles, systems, and stations prior to the start of passenger service.

While we do not yet have confirmation of an opening date from Metrolinx, as the ECLRT transitions toward full operation, and as part of the operational readiness activities, it is necessary to update the City's traffic and parking by-laws to reflect the new permanent roadway configuration within the at-grade segment.

The proposed amendments will:

- Ensure consistency between the City's traffic and parking by-laws and the final as-built conditions
- Establish permanent No Parking and No Stopping zones
- Restrict left-turn and U-turn movements across the LRT corridor, except at signalized intersections
- Designate right-turn-only lanes
- Provide updated traffic control signals.

The detailed amendments for the regulations to be rescinded and enacted are provided in Attachment A and include amendments to the following sections of the Toronto Municipal Code:

- Chapter 903 - Schedule III - Designated On-Street Loading for Permit Holders
- Chapter 950-1312 - Schedule XIII - No Parking
- Chapter 950-1313 - Schedule XIV - No Stopping
- Chapter 950-1318 - Schedule XIX - One-way Traffic Lanes
- Chapter 950-1322 - Schedule XXIII - Prohibited Turns
- Chapter 950-1323 - Schedule XXIV - Compulsory Turns
- Chapter 950-1338 - Schedule XXXIX - Traffic Control Signals

Transportation Services will implement the approved traffic and parking by-laws in coordination with Metrolinx and the TTC before the commencement of revenue service.

All signage, pavement markings, and traffic control devices have been verified to match the final as-built drawings and operational requirements.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - Traffic and Parking By-law Amendments Eglinton Avenue East,
Kennedy Road to Brentcliffe Road