

Permanent Closure of portions of Railway Street and Centre Street

Date: February 3, 2025

To: Scarborough Community Council

From: Director, Planning, Design and Management, Transportation Services

Wards: Ward 24, Scarborough-Guildwood

SUMMARY

As this report recommends the permanent closure of several portions of untravelled public highways, City Council approval is required.

Transportation Services recommends that those portions of Railway Street and Centre Street, shown on the registered plans of survey appended hereto as Part 4 on Attachment 1 and Part 4 on Attachment 2, of this report be permanently stopped up and closed in order to enable operational management of the lands to be transferred to Parks and Recreation to facilitate construction of new park space for Grant Faulkner Park.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director, Planning, Design and Management, Transportation Services, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the permanent closure of the portion of Centre Street described as Part 4 on Plan 66R-33040 as shown on Attachment 1 to the report (dated February 3, 2025) from the Director, Planning Design and Management, Transportation Services;
2. City Council authorize the permanent closure of the portion of Railway Street described as Part 4 on Plan 66R-31577 as shown on Attachment 2 to the report (dated February 3, 2025) from the Director, Planning Design and Management, Transportation Services; and
3. City Council enact a by-law substantially in the form of the draft by-law attached as Attachment 3 to the report (dated February 3, 2025) from the Director, Planning Design and Management, Transportation Services.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications resulting from the recommendations included in this report.

DECISION HISTORY

By DAF No. 2024-169, the Executive Director, Corporate Real Estate Management authorized the General Manager, Transportation Services, to give notice to the public of a proposed by-law to close the untravelled public highway lands, Centre Street and Railway Street, in accordance with the requirements of City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 162 and the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Schedule "A+" activities and authorized the transfer of operational management of the Former Highway Lands from Transportation Services to Parks & Recreation once the untravelled public highway lands have been stopped up and closed.

At its meeting held on November 1, 2024, Scarborough Community Council adopted Item SC17.6, entitled "Establishing a Permanent Memorial in Scarborough Honouring Grant Faulkner". This approval names the proposed park at the subject location as Grant Faulkner Park.

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2024.SC17.6>

COMMENTS

Transportation Services has reviewed the feasibility of closing the untravelled public highway lands and has determined that they can be closed to enable operational management of these lands to be transferred to Parks & Recreation for park development.

The highway closing process requires approval from City Council. The draft by-law is an attachment to this report and will be tabled at the same Scarborough 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 Scarborough Community Council meeting at which the proposed by-law to close the Former Highway Lands will be considered.

The Ward Councillor has been advised of the recommendations in this report.

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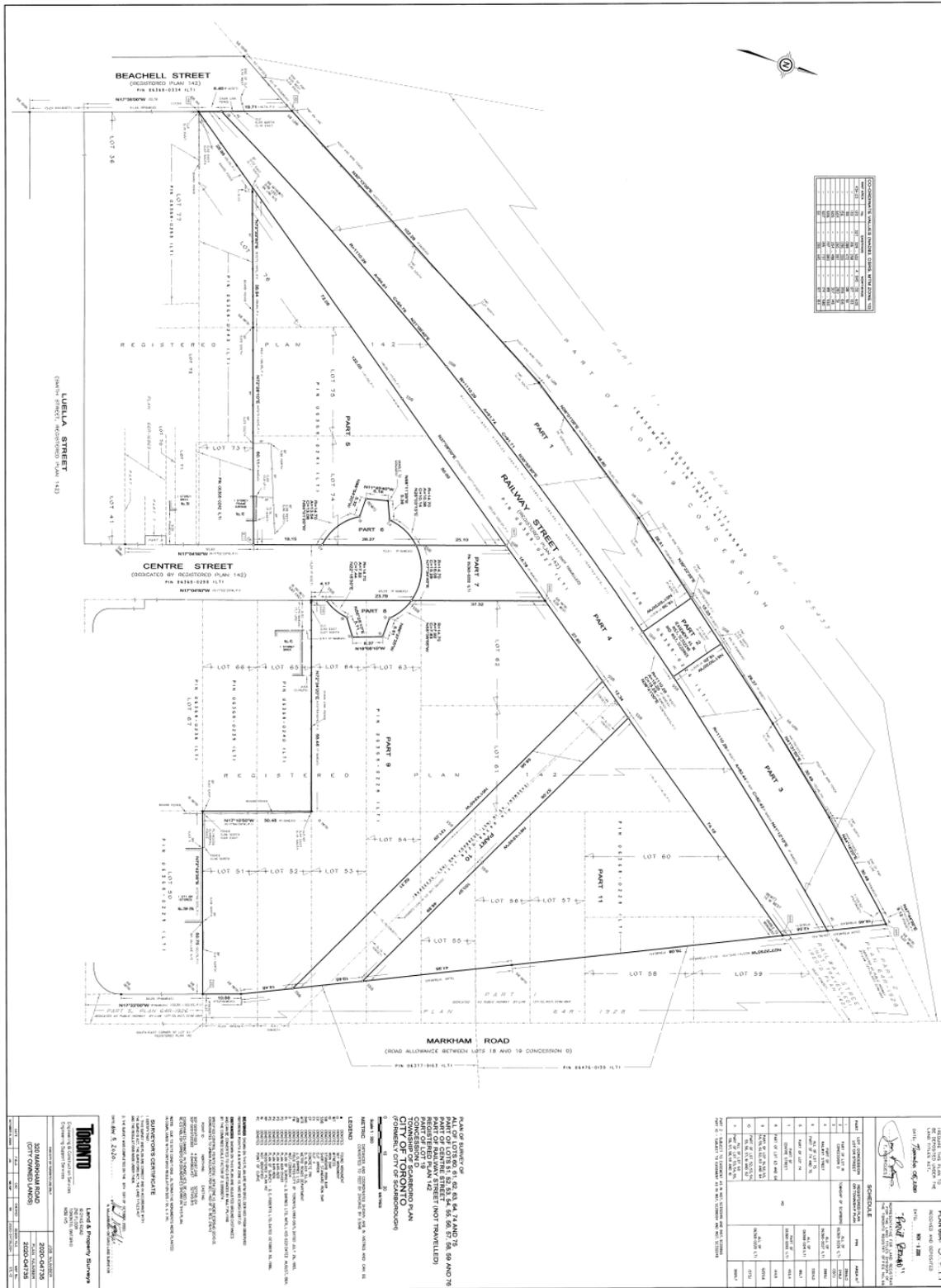
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Jacquelyn Hayward,
Director, Planning, Design and Management
Transportation Services

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - Plan 66R-33040
Attachment 2 - Plan 66R-31577
Attachment 3 - Draft By-law

Attachment 2 - Plan 66R-31577



Attachment 3 – Draft By-law Road Closure

Authority: Scarborough Community Council
Item _____, as adopted by City of Toronto Council
on _____

CITY OF TORONTO

Bill

BY-LAW -2025

To permanently close portions of Centre Street and Railway Street.

Whereas it is recommended that part of the public highways known as Centre Street and Railway Street be permanently closed as public highways; and

Whereas notice of the proposed by-law to permanently close the said public lane to vehicular traffic 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 Scarborough Community Council heard any person who wished to speak to the matter at its meeting held on _____.

The Council of the City of Toronto enacts:

Part of the public highway known as Centre Street, legally described as follows, is hereby permanently closed as a public highway:

PIN 06368-0280 (LT)

PART OF CENTRE STREET, REGISTERED PLAN 142, DESIGNATED AS PART 4, PLAN 66R-33040

City of Toronto and Province of Ontario

Land Titles Division of the Toronto Registry Office (No. 66)

Part of the public highway known as Railway Street, legally described as follows, is hereby permanently closed as a public highway:

PIN 06368-0227 (LT)

PART OF RAILWAY STREET, REGISTERED PLAN 142, DESIGNATED AS PART 4, PLAN 66R-31577

City of Toronto and Province of Ontario

Land Titles Division of the Toronto Registry Office (No. 66)

Enacted and passed on _____, 2025.

Speaker

City Clerk