



Report to: General Committee

Report Date: March 6, 2012

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**SUBJECT:** Temporary road closure of Reesor Road from Major Mackenzie Drive to Highway 7

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) That the report titled 'Temporary road closure of Reesor Road from Major Mackenzie Drive to Highway 7' be received;
- 2) And that the closure of Reesor Road from Major Mackenzie Drive to Highway 7 be approved from March 19, 2012 to June 15, 2012;
- 3) And that an exemption to the Town's Noise Control By-Law 2003-137 be made to extend the hours of work from 7:00 pm to 6:30am during the road closure;
- 4) And that staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

**PURPOSE:**

To inform Council that the Region of York will be closing the intersection of Reesor Road and 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue to facilitate bridge and roadway reconstruction.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Regional Municipality of York will commence construction of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue/Reesor Road intersection improvements and the single-lane bridge replacement in March of 2012. On June 23, 2011, Regional Council approved the advancement of the construction of this project. Regional Council was also advised that the temporary road closures of Reesor Road and 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue would be required.

**OPTIONS/ DISCUSSION:**

Given the existing narrow road sections at 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Reesor Road, the proximity of Reesor Road to Little Rouge Creek and the significant amount of fill required at the crossing of Little Rouge Creek, it has been determined that both 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Reesor Road be closed within the project limits.

The benefits of the road closure include:

- Significant reduction in construction costs.
- Accelerate the Contractor's schedule.
- Provides a safer work environment for workers and general traffic.
- Minimizes the impact on the natural environment.
- Shortens the duration of disruption to general traffic.

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**Conditions for road closure:**

York Region shall:

- 1) prepare a traffic control plan and a detour route signage plan prior to road closure;
- 2) prepare a notice of road closure and circulate to all emergency services, school boards and local residents and business;
- 3) place the notice of road closure in local newspaper (i.e. Economist and Sun) for 2 consecutive weeks prior to the date of the proposed road closure;
- 4) erect advance notification signage stating start and completion dates on site two weeks prior to the closure of the road;

**FINANCIAL TEMPLATE**

There is no cost to the Town for the implementation of the temporary road closure.


**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:**

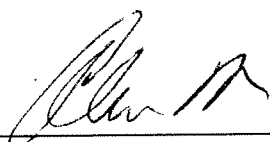
Reconstruction of the 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue bridge will eliminate 'single lane' vehicle constraints, providing a full width two lane road cross-section. This project aligns with the Town of Markham's strategic focus relating to Growth Management, Transportation/Transit, Safety, the Environment and Municipal Services.

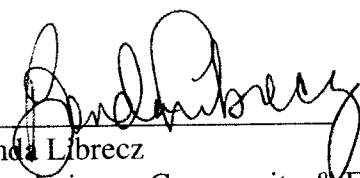
**DEPARTMENTS CONSULTED AND AFFECTED:**

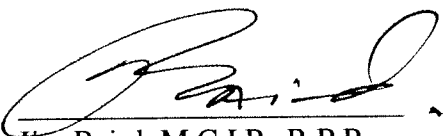
The Operations Department have reviewed this report with the By-law Division of the Corporate Services Commission and concur with the content.

**RECOMMENDED BY:**

  
Paul Ingham  
Director of Operations

  
Alan Brown, C.E.T.  
Director of Engineering Services

  
Brenda Librecz  
Commissioner, Community & Fire Services

  
Jim Baird, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Commissioner of Development

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment 'A' – Road closure advertisement prepared by the Region of York

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**Attachment 'A'****The Regional Municipality of York****TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE****16th Avenue (Y.R. 73) from Donald Cousens Parkway to York Durham Line  
and  
Reesor Road from Major Mackenzie Drive to Highway 7  
Town of Markham**

The following roads will be temporarily closed to all except local traffic:

**16th Avenue (Y.R. 73)**

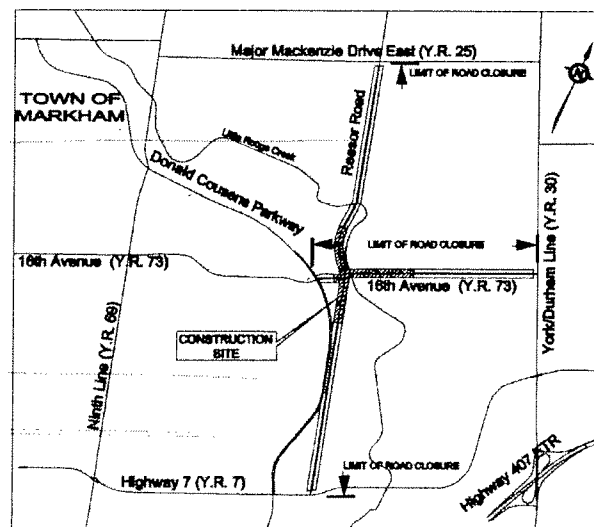
- Donald Cousens Parkway to Reesor Road – March 19 to June 15, 2012
- Reesor Road to York Durham Line – March 19 to September 28, 2012

**Reesor Road**

- Major Mackenzie Drive to Highway 7 – March 19 to June 15, 2012

The purpose of this temporary road closure is to eliminate the jog at 16th Avenue and Reesor Road and replace the bridge on 16th Avenue east of Reesor Road.

Local access will be maintained at all times throughout the closure.

**KEY PLAN**

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This notice is issued on March 8, 2012

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Kathleen Llewellyn-Thomas, Commissioner  
Transportation and Community Planning

