

Item 10



For Action

North York Community Council Member Motion NY8.47: Allen Greenway Improvements

Date: December 12, 2019
To: TTC Board
From: Head of Commission Services

Summary

Member Motion NY8.47: Allen Greenway Improvements was referred to staff by the North York Community Council on September 16, 2019 and is also forwarded to the Toronto Transit Commission Board for consideration.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the TTC Board consider item E of North York Community Council's decision as follows:

1. Request TTC staff to report back to the Board by November 2020 on the feasibility of a new Dell Park Avenue entrance/exit to Lawrence West subway station given that the subway platform extends south of the roadway.

Signature

Kevin Lee
Head of Commission Services

Attachment

North York Community Council NY8.47 – Decision Letter



Decision Letter

North York Community Council

NY8.47	ACTION	Referred		Ward: 8
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Allen Greenway Improvements

Community Council Decision

North York Community Council:

1. Referred the item to the appropriate staff for a report back to North York Community Council.

Origin

(September 11, 2019) Memo from Councillor Mike Colle

Summary

City Council approved the Lawrence Allen Secondary Plan which shows the Allen Greenway from Highway 401 to Lawrence Avenue West with extensions to Eglinton Avenue West. Lawrence Heights is a community in need of active physical fitness opportunities and connectivity to other neighbourhoods and community facilities. There are numerous development applications within 500 metres of the Allen Road. The area in the vicinity of the Allen Road is a very parkland deficient area. City Council has approved a Vision Zero program.

The goal is to achieve a continuous path from Highway 401 to Eglinton Avenue West along the Allen Road.

Background Information

(September 11, 2019) Memo from Councillor Mike Colle on Allen Greenway Improvements (<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2019/ny/bgrd/backgroundfile-137865.pdf>)

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September 11, 2019

To the Members of the North York Community Council

Re: Allen Greenway Improvements

Summary:

City Council approved the Lawrence Allen Secondary Plan which shows the Allen Greenway from Highway 401 to Lawrence Avenue West with extensions to Eglinton Avenue West. Lawrence Heights is a community in need of active physical fitness opportunities and connectivity to other neighbourhoods and community facilities. There are numerous development applications within 500 metres of the Allen Road. The area in the vicinity of the Allen Road is a very parkland deficient area. City Council has approved a Vision Zero program.

The goal is to achieve a continuous path from Highway 401 to Eglinton Avenue West along the Allen Road.

Recommendations:

That North York Community Council request:

A. That Toronto Community Housing be requested to complete the following by the end 2020:

1. Install wood chips or screening material like pea gravel 4 metres wide along the worn walkway on TCHC lands north and south of Flemington Park between Zachary Court to the Amaranth Court east end along the west side of the Allen Road;
2. Pave a sidewalk from north end of the unnamed city parkland on north side of Lawrence Avenue West to the 6 Replin Road sidewalk or rear (west end) of the 4 and 6 Replin Road buildings along the Allen Road; and
3. Zebra stripe the north south pedestrian route through the 4 and 6 Replin Road parking lot to meet the existing sidewalk on the west side Replin Road abutting 4 Replin Road.

B. That Parks, Forestry and Recreation staff be directed to complete the following by the end 2020:

1. Install wood chips or screening material like pea gravel 4 metres wide along the worn walkway on the Flemington Park lands along the west side of the Allen Road;
2. Pave a sidewalk from through the unnamed city parkland on the north side of Lawrence Avenue west to the 6 Replin Road sidewalk or rear (west end) of the building along the Allen Road;
3. Create a park at the southwest corner of the Allen Road and Lawrence Avenue West;
4. Convert Transportation Services managed open space from Viewmount Avenue to the east west leg of Glen Park Avenue into an extension of Benner Park with a walkway along its north south length;
5. On the west side of the Allen Road convert Transportation Services managed open space from Glengrove Avenue to Coldstream Avenue into a park with a walkway along its north south length;
6. Install a north south walkway/cycle path through the south end of Fraserwood Park;
7. Construct a paved north south walkway/cycle path to address Ontarians with Disabilities Act and Vision Zero missing sidewalk from south limit of Fraserwood Park to Glengrove Avenue;
8. On the east side of the Allen Road convert Transportation Services managed open space from south limit of Fraserwood Park to Glencairn Avenue into an extension of Fraserwood Park;
9. Pave the worn path in Newgate Park between Ridelle Avenue and Viewmount Park;
10. Create a linear park between the east west leg of Elway Court and Dell Park Avenue and install a north south walkway where it is missing in the existing Transportation Services maintained open space; and
11. Report on parkland expansion opportunities along the Allen Road.

C. City Planning staff be directed to:

1. Include in the Yorkdale Master Plan an Allen Greenway route that connects Yorkdale Park to the planned Dufferin Street Secondary Plan promenade and cycle track;
2. Re-establish the Bell Canada property walkway through 128R/130 Ridelle Avenue between Ridelle Avenue and Benner Park or alternative elevate a walkway over the east side of the parking area (walkway closure was approximately 2009) as this is an Ontarians with Disabilities Act and Vision Zero missing sidewalk at Glencairn subway station; and

3. Work with RioCan the owner of Lawrence Square, 700 Lawrence Avenue West to include a north south AODA compliant Allen Greenway route through the property.

D. That Transportation Services be directed to complete the following by the end 2020:

1. Install pavement or screening material on the 3 metre wide walkway between Flemington Road and Flemington Park on the east side of the Allen Road;
2. Paint bike lanes or sharrows on Aldburn Road bridge over Allen Road;
3. On the east side of the Allen Road widen the sidewalk and cycling route between Aldburn Road and Elm Ridge Drive to 4 metres as an interim improvement until the Beltline Bridge over the Allen Road is built between the York Beltline and Kay Gardner Beltline;
4. On the east side of the Allen Road between Hillmount Avenue and Glencairn Avenue construct sidewalk on the west side of the north south section of Hillmount Avenue or convert the road segment into a one way and zebra stripe walkway/cycle path on the road in order to address Ontarians with Disabilities Act and Vision Zero missing sidewalk near the Glencairn subway station;
5. Re purpose the excess roadway width for the 7 bridges over the Allen Road between Eglinton Avenue West and Lawrence Avenue West with bike lanes and or zebra striped wider sidewalks;
6. Report on the feasibility of modifying or closing the eastbound Lawrence Avenue West ramp to the Allen Road southbound with to goal to add to the newly created park at the southwest corner of Lawrence Avenue West and the Allen Road;
7. Report on missing sidewalks within 100 metres of the Allen Road in order to address Ontarians with Disabilities Act and Vision Zero missing sidewalks;
8. Install north south crosswalks with a different paving pattern on the east and west ends of 7 bridges over the Allen Road between Eglinton Avenue West and Lawrence Avenue West; and
9. Install pedestrian crosswalks (zebra stripe) across Flemington Road at the west and east sides of Allen Road.

E. That TTC be directed to report by the end of 2020:

1. The feasibility of a new Dell Park Avenue entrance/exit to Lawrence West subway station given that the subway platform extends south of the roadway.



Councillor Mike Colle
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